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ENJOYING A WARM AFTERNOON with his family in Garland Park is John McCord of Carmel Valley. Like many of those who use the park, the family brought its horse, Rusty. In seeking a new use permit, the regional park district is proposing basic changes in Garland Park's operation. For a look at those changes and insight into the role the park plays in Carmel Valley, see Carolyn Rice's story on pages 12 and 13. *Sun photo by Isabelle Hall*

Grace Mulls Supervisor's Run Vs. KSK

By Isabelle Hall

Carmel Mayor Jean Grace is being wooed by various interests to challenge Karin Strasser Kauffman in the June election for fifth district supervisor. "I have no idea what I'm going to do," she said in an interview, but added she is thinking about it.

Grace announced in December that she would not seek re-election to an unprecedented third term as mayor. At the time, she made a point of saying that she had called Strasser Kauffman and told her she had no intention of running against her.

"I now have a lot of people who seem to be disenchanted with Karin who are contacting me. I'm saying I may rethink my position," Grace said. "The probability is that I won't run but I have been surprised at the people who are disenchanted, people who don't even know each other, who are from widely disparate groups.

"Frankly, I think Karin does a good job," Grace said. "I have always considered her unbeatable. The last time she ran unopposed, and I thought 'there probably isn't anyone who could beat her.'"

But, she added, she thought Strasser Kauffman, who just assumed the chair of the Board of Supervisors, "has been less responsive to her constituents on a lot of issues. Monastery Beach is one. The half-cent sales tax is another. Her constituents didn't vote for it but she supports it.

"Probably my first choice is to have a full-time instructor's position at Monterey Peninsula College," Grace said. "I'm not a politician."

On the other hand, the tall, attractive blonde, admitted that "It's kind of seductive" to be asked to run, and, "it's a job that pays pretty well. I think I could do the work, and I would consider it a great honor to represent this district. It includes the Big Sur Coast, Carmel Valley, Pebble Beach, Carmel, all the places I love."

Grace said another component of "this whole mystery" was the cloud hanging over the County's redistricting plan that could delay the June election. The U.S. Justice Department still must approve the plan okayed by supervisors, and a law suit brought by Hispanics is pending in federal court.

Ileene Crane-Franks, a Carmel Valley Village real estate broker who served on the Citizens Advisory Committee for Title 21,

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More Than from Measure A

Schools Get $1 Million from Pebble Beach Sale

By Carolyn Rice

Thanks in large part to the Pebble Beach Co. sale, Carmel schools will receive $1.7 million more in tax revenue from Monterey county this year, according to Nick Nicolai, assistant County auditor/controller.

About $1 million of the revenue will come from Del Monte Forest, Nicolai said, adding the bulk of it related to the Pebble Beach Co. sale with the rest of the increase coming from sales of private residences.

In a letter to Measure A supporters, School Superintendent Vance Baldwin said the revenue from the Pebble Beach sale is significantly higher than the district was told it would be a year ago.

Looking for a way to make needed improvements to school buildings and to replace aging buses, the district worked for passage of a parcel tax last June that would have raised $880,000 a year for four years. The proposal fell just short of the necessary two-thirds vote.

County Tax Assessor Bruce Reeves has assessed the Pebble Beach properties at $866,395,414. He said the company has filed appeals on almost all of the assessments, leading the County to set aside the entire month of June and half of July to hear those appeals.

"Should either side not be satisfied with the appeals process, they have further recourse in the courts," Reeves said. Nicolai said the matter may be resolved quickly or take years to settle.

In the meantime, Carmel schools are receiving tax revenue based on the County's assessment. Although Pebble Beach Co. did not pay $3.2 million of its newly assessed taxes, Nicolai said all delinquent

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Ball Tickets Left

Some tickets still are available for Saturday night's Sweetheart Ball, a fundraiser to benefit Tularcitos School sponsored by the Parents Club. For information about the dance and gourmet buffet at Hidden Valley, contact the school at 659-2276.

Seeking A Return to 1876

$1.26 Million for Lagoon Improvements Proposed

By Stan Hall

A consultant has recommended a $1.26 million project to recreate a larger Carmel River lagoon, additional wetlands beside it and lost riparian habitat in an attempt to turn the clock back toward 1876.

The proposal would require dredging a long arm of the lagoon to the south of the present mouth of the Carmel River, the lowering of a levee along the south side of the river and the restoration of riparian vegetation across the artichoke field west of Highway 1 just south of Carmel.

The plan was developed by hydrologist John Williams, who lives in Carmel Highlands, for Philip Williams & Associates. It was developed for the Carmel River Steelhead Association, The Coastal Conservancy, the Monterey County Water Resources Agency, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and the state Parks Department.

The agencies shared the cost of the draft plan, but how it would be funded if it were to be carried out was not specified. The public agencies are charged either with improving the river habitat or providing better flood protection.

The idea behind Williams' study is to restore the lagoon and areas adjacent to it "to natural conditions," as determined mainly from an 1876 map of the region. In proposing to create more wetlands in the area, Williams argued that it is necessary to help offset "the extensive loss of wetlands in the lower Salinas Valley."

The principal elements of the plan are:

- Dredging a south arm of the existing lagoon for about 2,000 feet south of the river mouth and parallel to the beach to a depth of some 2 feet lower than the ocean level.
- Creating a 10-acres wetland by excavation at the end of the proposed south arm of the lagoon.
- Restoring natural riparian vegetation on the artichoke fields south of the river and west of Highway 1 in part by reducing the height of levees protecting the field from seasonal flooding.

"The cost of this program will depend largely upon the approach taken to restoring riparian vegetation on the artichoke fields. Assuming that the Department of Parks and Recreation implements the riparian restoration using CCC (California Conservation Corps) labor, the estimated cost of the recommended program is $1,263,000," the report said. The Parks Department owns the fields west of Highway 1 which are presently leased to the Odello family for artichoke farming.

Williams' report also said that Monterey County should get a permit from the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers before breaching the high sand dunes that build up during

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LETTERS

County Unprepared for Trigger

The "traffic trigger" level has been reached on Carmel Valley Road, and it should come as a surprise to no one. This increase in traffic was foretold by the addition of the trigger mechanism in the first place, and it was anticipated on occasions in the past when we thought the "trigger" had been pulled. Now it is official.. Although we've known it was coming for over 10 years, we are unprepared to deal with it.

The Carmel Valley Master Plan calls for several improvements to Carmel Valley Road which have not been done, including left turn channelization, shoulder widening and improvements, curve realignment, and ingress/egress tapers in addition to the four-laning of the road between Via Petra and Robinson Canyon. Any of these improvements might have alleviated conditions on the road to prevent the drop in level of service. None of this has been considered because there are no funds available to make any improvements.

At Tuesday's hearing before the Board of Supervisors, members of the public offered their opinions of where the traffic came from and who should now be paying to make the necessary improvements Suggestions ranging from a toll road to a countywide tax were made. What evolved from this meeting was a consensus that something must be done and a realization that there is currently no way to do anything.

Measure B funds, at this point, cannot be relied upon but must be considered. There is no "Plan B" for financing necessary road improvements and, as was brought up at the hearing, there are many roads in Monterey County in need of improvement—Carmel Valley Road just happens to have a red flag attached to it that says, "Deal with me now or else!"

I suggest the Board of Supervisors designate a subcommittee, a Citizens Advisory Committee, a Ways & Means group (call it whatever) to investigate ways of financing improvements and ways of determining traffic sources. It has been proven in this County that public involvement in problem-solving is far more effective in making tough decisions palatable and acceptable to the public that has to bear the burden.

Ileene M. Crane-Franks
Carmel Valley

Is Speed What It's About?

A question to the people who are in favor of a freeway through Hatton Canyon: Is the unrelenting promotion of speed and ever more highways and pollutants what existence on this planet is all about?

Mrs. Harriet Shanner
Carmel

Quality of Life At Issue

Expanding the Central Commercial zone, as the Planning Commission proposed at the last City Council meeting, would result in further deterioration of the quality of life we are privileged to enjoy in Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Expanding the Central Commercial zone to satisfy a select group of landlords would mean higher rents that will squeeze out resident serving business to accommodate more T-shirt shops, more jewelry shops, more souvenir shops, etc.

Do we really want this for our lovely village?

Clayton Anderson
Carmel

Like Mom from Apple Pie

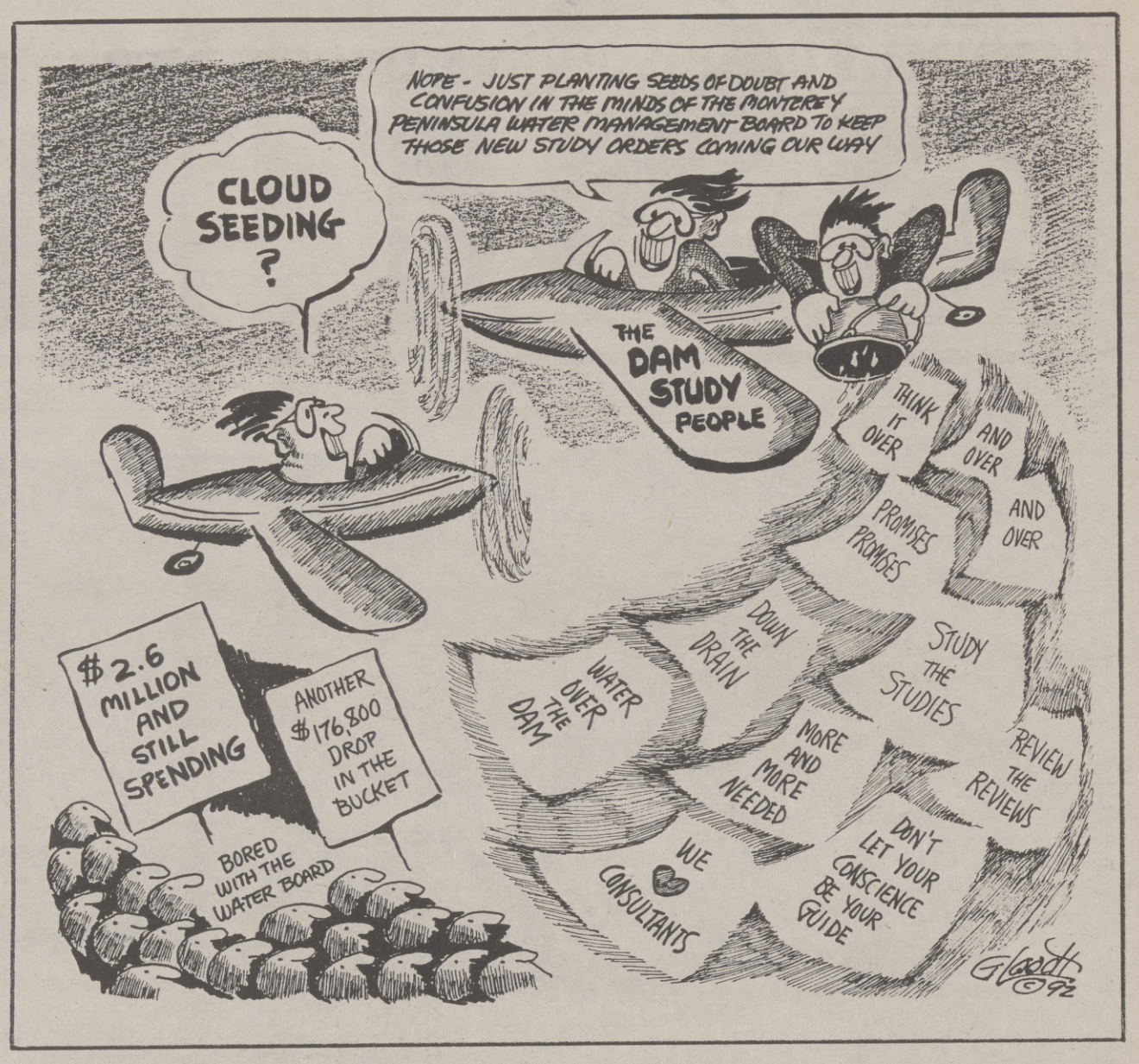
The background delineated in the Planning Commission's zoning study report submitted to Carmel's City Council Jan. 28 shows it to have been prompted by a property owner's request in 1990 to rezone property in the commercial district, reviewed and denied by the Commission. It was during the rezone hearing that the Planning Commission passed a motion requesting that it be directed by the City Council to initiate a study of the commercial zoning. Unfortunately it may be that the consummate result is due to the premise on which this study was undertaken.

The report's seven recommendations belie the text that precedes them. The Planning Commission presumed to begin its attack on the General Plan's tenet of incontrovertible protection for the resident and his preeminently residential community. Of course, call resident-serving business a concept, but apparently the Planning Commission has never learned that though abstracts don't lend themsleves easily to definition, you better not start fooling around with them. Unique, quality business is a concept too, and the way I read my general plan, intended to be correlative. But one thing certain is that any report that proposes any removal or alteration in the concept of resident-serving and business in Carmel is like separating God from Holy Writ, or Mom for Apple Pie.

There is a lot more wrong with this study but maybe the biggest mistake has been the tin tub the Planning Commission has thrown its baby into without seeing both tub and baby are full of holes. What's needed is something concrete and it's not here. There's no backup material for any of the many conclusions drawn and, to top it off, it turns out to be an ill-tempered document. There has been considerable evidence of opposition in the public hearings but try to find it, any of it, in the text.

Many of us reading this zoning study feel a travesty has been inflicted upon Carmel's trusting well-intentioned citizens, its Council, and yes, its business community. Read this report and weep.

Jane Mayer
Carmel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Thanks for DeCarlo Review

Edith Truesdale was my great aunt, and one of the most exceptional people I ever hope to know. Anita DeCarlo's fine review delights me; in her lifetime, she was too often treated as a curiosity, an elderly lady with remarkable verve, still painting. She always wanted her art to be seriously considered for its own sake. Ms. DeCarlo has done this, and on her behalf, I'm most pleased.

It's funny—Edie did title all her work. She thought a lot about it and the naming came after the painting was completed. Usually the title is painted onto the back. I have no idea why Pat Carey did not provide this sort of information.

Natalie Park-Schutz
Carmel

Valley Post Office Is Also Great

Thank you for printing my recent letter, Praise for the Post Offices. I am sorry it did not also include the Carmel Valley post office. The people there have been exceptionally kind, polite and gracious—especially Ray.

I go to all three of the local post offices to get special stamps. I am so grateful that they treat me kindly.

Beatrice B. Schoenwisner
Carmel

Flawed Decision-Making

The Carmel Planning Commission's recommendation to eliminate that city's resident-serving business zone seems to have arisen from a seriously flawed decision-making process.

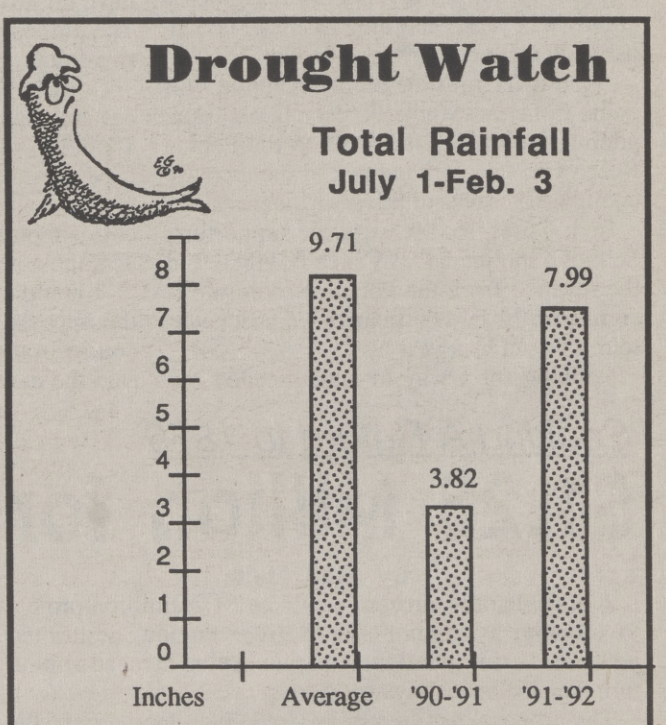
To start, the decision is based, at least in part, on a survey of some 640 members of the business community; but that group showed little interest in zoning. It placed "government regulation," which certainly includes zoning, a poor seventh in the list of impediments to business activity.

Further, even had the survey shown more support for zone changes, the views of the larger segment of the community, its residents were apparently not even sought, although it seems likely that it would be concerned about where to go for its groceries, haircuts, hardware and other needs of daily life. The commission seems to have shown no interest in that part of its constituency.

In considering the commission's recommendation, the City Council should bear in mind, its weak basis:

1. A small minority with only tepid support, and
2. A large majority with its views unrepresented and unknown.

Jack Wickham
Carmel



*The rain year is measured from July 1 to June 30. The chart above shows rainfall for year-to-date for this year, last year and what is average, based on three decades of records for Carmel Valley Village maintained by observer Graham Matthews.

For the full rain year, average precipitation in the Village is 17.59 inches. Since 1986, the area has received significantly below average rainfall. It got 11.24 inches in '86-'87, 10.06 in '87-'88, 11.06 in '88-'89, 13.32 in '89-'90, and 15.72 in '90-'91.

Chart by June Levora

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Kremer; Thompson In Council Election, Fischer Stays Put

By Isabelle Hall

Management consultant Don Kremer and artist-writer John Thompson announced they will seek election to the Carmel City Council April 14. Councilman Bob Fischer, who had been weighing a race for mayor, said he had decided against it.

"The extra $50 a month wouldn't buy enough aspirin," quipped Fischer who still has two years of his four-year Council term to serve. "I feel comfortable with where I am. I don't think the social aspects of being mayor appeal to me. Where I am I can kind of be picky and choosey."

Fischer's decision left only Councilman Ken White in the running to succeed Jean Grace as the *Sun* went to press. His four-year term on the Council is expiring. Grace said in December she would not run again for mayor but is now being urged to run for supervisor against Karin Strasser Kauffman. (See Grace story on front page.)

Kremer, 52, led the successful fight last year against the Council's 3-2 imposition of a 40 per cent Floor Area Ratio (FAR) for houses on the city's smallest lots. The election pitted a brand new group he formed called Coalition for Carmel's Future against the Carmel Residents Association (CRA). The issue was soundly defeated although CRA officials claimed it was because of ballots mailed in by part-time residents.

Thompson, 47, has satirized the Council and the city administration in a series of articles and illustrations for Freedom of Speech, a publication started last summer by businessman Paul Laub who, along with his wife, Connie, has battled the city for years in and out of the courts. He said he was urged by the Sierra Club and the Green Party to run.

"One of the reasons I'm running," Kremer said, "is that the disharmony we've got in our government is prevailing across all our functions. It's not an easy city to use. I view the town as having three communities—residents, business and visitors, and I'm not sure we're friendly towards all these three. It's changed even since I've been here."

Thompson said, "Back in the 20's and 30's many of our Bohemian artists and writers championed the preservation of our local natural resources. In running for the City Council, I am carrying on that heritage, helping Carmel to regain its position as being on the cutting edge of ecological issues and serving as a model city for other towns and communities."

Barbara Livingston, 64, founder of Friends of Carmel Forest and a CRA director, was the first candidate to announce for the Council. In addition to White's seat, the term of Councilman Jim Wright also expires, and he has said he will not seek reelection.

When incumbents such as Grace, Wright and White do not file for reelection, the filing period is extended by law another five days, to Feb. 11.

When Grace nominated Kremer last year to the Beach and Forest Commission he was opposed initially by the council majority which labeled him a "developer" for having led the FAR fight. Grace brought the nomination back a second time and he won approval.

Since then, Kremer, a management consultant in the television satellite network and systems management fields, has taken the initiative in holding a workshop for builders to learn about the city's many regulations regarding trees. He thinks it would be a good idea if the city held similar workshops twice a year for prospective storekeepers before they move into town and discover they can't sell what they thought they could. He also foresaw workshops for residents to learn about regulations governing them.

Kremer's petition for signatures was being circulated by Marian Leidig, whose husband, Glenn, is one of the oldest native residents of Carmel.

As editor of Laub's publication, Thompson, a native of Carmel, poked fun, sometimes bordering on the bitter, in both illustrations and written reports of City Hall business. Some City staff members privately were furious over some of the scathing characterizations.

Though his primary interest is the environment, Thompson said he "was surprised" at the amount of support he had received from Carmel business people.

Asked if he thought people would link him to Laub, Thompson said, "I don't know. The Green Party platform is what is most important to me."

Dealing with the label, "developer," Kremer said, "I've never made a living developing anything. I don't have a contractor's license. I am a management consultant. I put together satellite television networks for corporations such as Tandy and General Electric Medical Systems Division. I also do strategic and tactical planning."

"I have training in negotiating skills and planning," he said. "That's what you have to do to settle disagreements. You can agree to disagree and still be friends because you can't survive in the business world if you don't."

He said the "unfriendly" atmosphere in Carmel has "permeated from the top. The City Council should set the tone. They've had a lot of conflict. We ought to be reaching out to these communities in town and make them realize it's easier to use our City.

"Most of the funds from the city that we are able to spend come through the business environment," Kremer said. "We are already starting to see some impact from the recession. We need to protect our visitor. Most cities can't even find the money for an extra policeman. Carmel buys $1 million properties."

"It's been a long time since we had an artist or writer on the City Council," Thompson said. "Back then in the golden age, we had a very diverse community. I'd like to see other artists and writers step forward."

The 47-year-old former civil rights and anti-war activist said he plans to accept no financial support and spend no money in the process.

"I see eye to eye with the Green platform," he said. "There are a number of environmental issues that have not been getting enough attention locally. We want them to be part of this campaign.

"I've decided I'm not going to take one penny for my campaign. I'd rather see people donate the money to something like the Sierra Club or to help AIDS victims. I will just speak for myself," he said. "A number of people have offered to have coffee klatches for me. My grandparents knew a lot of people in Carmel."

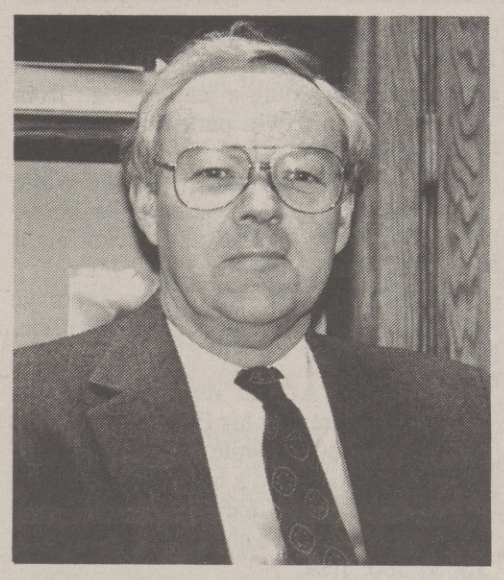
Thompson lives with Lorna Moffat, in a cottage that was owned by his family next door to his late grandmother's last house. Ethel Mizener, his maternal grandmother, worked at the former Derling antique shop. He and his family visited her during the summer.

The last issue of Laub's newspaper was published in November. Thompson said he was working on a seventh paper but did not know when it would be finished. Meanwhile he does watercolor illustrations for books and said he has an opportunity for an art show in New York and the Bay area.

He favors affordable housing for low and moderate income workers and thinks that workers in the arts, health care, education and hospital fields who make long-term contributions to the community should be given small city-owned units.

He thinks the city must end its "self-absorbed and isolationist attitudes of recent years" and have fair codes which allow homes to be rebuilt as single, or multiple units utilizing their existing ground coverage.

Thompson also supports ride sharing, more use of public transit, bicycles and walking to reduce the volume and speed of cars in the city.



Donald E. Kremer

Born in Evanston, Ill., in 1939, Don Kremer spent four years in the Navy before joining IBM where he worked mostly in the San Francisco area.

At 52, Kremer just became a grandfather for the third time. "They're all boys," he smiled. His daughter, Kimberly Ugay of Fairfield just had her third child. His son, Michael, is married and lives in Tokyo where he teaches English.

Kremer met his wife, Diane at IBM and they were married in 1981. He retired from the corporation in 1987 and worked for two years as vice president for sales with a private satellite firm in New York City before moving permanently to Carmel in 1989.

He is a management consultant in the television satellite network and systems management fields. His wife, who retired from IBM last year, has a design business, and they share an office at the mouth of the Valley.

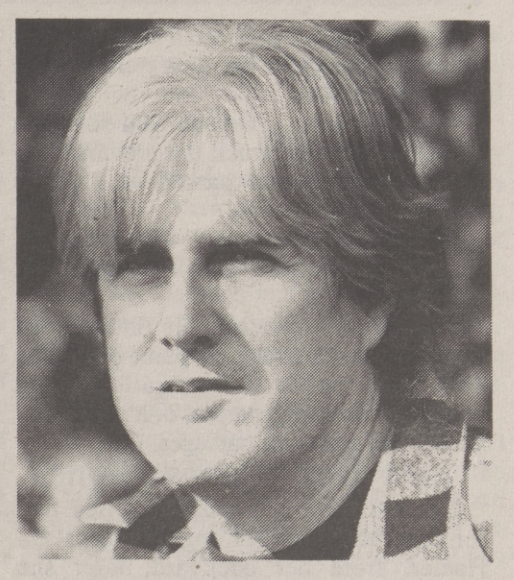
Diane Kremer took a leave of absence from IBM in 1989 and subsequently also took early retirement. She was a systems engineering manager and worked in the human resources field.

Kremer said he and his wife remodeled their first house in Carmel to help her get started in the design business. They sold it and bought a second house which they are remodeling to live in "at least for now," he said. They presently rent a home.

"One of the things she wanted to do was start an interior design and project management firm," Kremer said of his wife. "We bought a home at 13th and Mission and she remodeled it. We lived in it and sold it, and it started her business really."

In addition to serving on the Beach and Forest Commission, Kremer is on the Library Foundation where he is proud of fund-raising efforts that netted $50,000 for the Harrison Memorial Library.

He said the board took a Saturday and went to Highlands Inn to put its strategic plan together for the annual appeal.



John Thompson

Environmentalist John Thompson, a painter and writer, harks back to the heyday of Carmel's Bohemian era in his run for the City Council. "I wanted to be a Bohemian artist," he said.

Though he was born in Carmel in 1945, Thompson never lived in the city until 1973 when he moved back to stay. He attended Monterey Peninsula College in 1963-64 where he said he was active in the local civil rights and peace movements led by Joan Baez, Bob Dylan and Dr. Linus Pauling. He earned a B.A. in art history in 1967 and spent two years as a civil rights worker in Oakland's black ghetto.

Thompson worked as an artist in New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles and London, earning an M.A. in art before returning to Carmel. He also said he worked at Hartnell College and taught health classes inside Soledad Prison.

Thompson said he was a founding member of Hospice In Patient Facility, a founding teacher at Trinity School, and a teacher at Carmel River School, and a career counselor at Carmel High School.

For the past 10 years, Thompson said he taught film and video production at MPC, had articles published locally and appeared in many art shows. He is a watercolorist.

As president of Concerned Citizens for Environmental Health for the past three years, Thompson said he and Lorna Moffat with whom he has lived for the past seven years organized the local tuna fish boycott and lobbied for dolphin protection legislation. They also formed a branch of the Native Forest Action Council and said most recently they "persuaded" the Board of Supervisors to advocate recycling of ozone depleting CFC's.

Thompson said he worked on the Carmel Unified School District Project 2000, was education director for the Monterey County Aids Project, the Latino Aids Project and was a Carmel Red Cross Aids educator.

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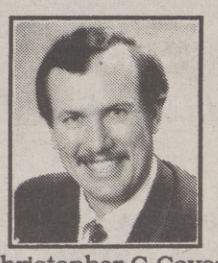
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SHERIFF'S LOG

CACHAGUA. A woman who lives at Prince's Camp said her tires were slashed overnight. 1/27.

CACHAGUA. A woman said someone stole gas from her truck the previous two nights while it was parked at Prince's Camp. 1/27.

CARMEL. A woman who lives on Flanders reported the theft of her car cover. 1/27.

CARMEL. A man said his Hatton Road home had been struck by paint balls, and deputies, after investigation, said neighbors who were parents of a young boy had agreed to pay the damages. 1/27.

Lost Dog Comes Home

CACHAGUA. A woman reported that someone had taken her dog, a Queensland Heeler, from her backyard; later she telephoned and said the dog had come home. 1/27.

CARMEL RANCHO. A Seaside man reported someone had blown up a newspaper distribution box at Garzone's Market. 1/28.

VILLAGE. A man reported the theft of power tools from his pickup while it was parked in the drive of his De Los Helechos home 1/24-1/28. 1/28.

CARMEL. Officials at Carmel High School said someone had spray painted some walls with blue paint. 1/28.

CACHAGUA. After a fight with another resident, deputies said they found several loaded hand-guns, knives, a billy club and an open container of alcohol in a Cachagua man's truck. 1/28.

CARMEL. A woman from England wrote that someone had taken personal belongings from her rented car 12/8 while she was staying at Sandpiper Inn. 1/28.

VALLEY. A woman said a Salinas man "drove circles around her parked car" at Carmel County Spa, causing damage to it. 1/28.

Clothing Taken from Car

VILLAGE. A woman reported the theft of clothes, including a leather coat, from her car while it was parked at her Lilac Lane home. 1/29.

VALLEY. A man called from the White Rock Club to report a lost or stolen horse. He said it was a 6-year-old Arabian, light gray in color with red "freckles." 1/29.

CARMEL RANCHO. A man reported the theft of computer discs from his office. 1/29.

CARMEL. A man reported someone entered the garage at his Hatton Road home during the evening while he was inside and took power tools and a bike. 1/29.

VALLEY. The office manager of Carmel Ranch Co. reported a check had been forged for $1,300. 1/29.

CARMEL RANCHO. A Carmel Valley youth, held for shoplifting at Albertsons, was released to his dad after being cited. 1/29.

Battery Taken

CARMEL HIGHLANDS. The Highlands Fire Department said a battery had been stolen from its training tower trailer while it was parked at San Remo and Mentone. 1/30.

RIO ROAD. A Safeway employee reported that a former employee came into the store and stole some payroll checks. 1/30.

CARMEL. A man who lives on Hatton Road reported a barking dog on Mesa Drive. 1/30.

CARMEL. A man reported his vehicle had been burglarized while parked outside his 15th Avenue home. 1/31.

CARMEL. A woman said someone entered her unlocked garage on Hatton Road over night and went through her unlocked car. 1/31.

NEW MANAGERS OF THE SPCA Benefit Shop in Carmel are Danielle Vagnini and Jean Nieto. The shop in the Su Vecino Court on Dolores Street near Sixth Avenue is open 10 to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 11 to 3 p.m. on Saturday.

"Forgery Spree" Halted

CARMEL RANCHO. Two transients were arrested by Pacific Grove police after a teller at the First National Bank reported a woman tried to cash a forged check. Deputies said both the man and the woman had warrants outstanding on them and were responsible for "a local and Northern California forgery spree." 1/31.

VILLAGE. A man reported a golf car was under the Boronda Bridge with its lights on; a deputy said a nearby mail box was knocked down "probably by the stolen cart." 1/31.

VILLAGE. A man reported someone tried to siphon gas from three of the four vehicles parked outside his Las Encinas home. 2/1.

VALLEY. A security guard at Hacienda reported hearing gunshots behind the facility. 2/1.

VALLEY. A woman who lives at Pacific Meadows reported seeing "a light drop from the sky." 2/1

Cachagua Group to Meet

The Cachagua Property Owners Association will hold its annual meeting and election of new officers at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, at the AT&T Community Room. For information, call 659-4947.

Public Works Head To Speak to CVPOA

Gerald Gromko, director of the Monterey County Public Works Department, will speak at the Carmel Valley Property Association's annual meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at All Saints' school on Carmel Valley Road.

Gromko is also executive director of the recently formed County Congestion Management Agency. He will talk about the agency, its intent, its structure and its impact on Carmel Valley residents.

A question and answer session will follow the meeting which is open to the public.

Gromko is likely to be asked about the possible effects of traffic on Carmel Valley Road having exceeded so-called trigger limits established in the Carmel Valley Master Plan. The plan calls for the County supervisors to take steps to alleviate congestion whenever the trigger is exceeded.

Gromko's department recently came forth with a proposal to charge lot owners a $27,000 fee for a permit to build a single family dwelling in the Valley to help pay for four-laning an additional stretch of the road, from Via Petra to the Robinson Canyon.

Supervisors put off any action on the proposal at its Jan. 25 meeting, but will take it up again Feb. 11.

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Test of "Taking" Turned Aside by Carmel Council

The Carmel City Council voted 5-0 Tuesday to deny an appeal by invester Doyle Moses who accused the local government of "taking" his land by refusing to approve plans for a new house.

The issue of "taking" is currently before the U. S. Supreme Court in five separate cases. It involves the historic controversy of whether a person can be denied his constitutional right to private property under the Fifth Amendment by virtue of government actions that result in "taking" the property.

Moses claimed that the refusal of the Planning Commission to approve his design for a house, in the opinion of his attorney, was "more than just a design problem. He feels it denies the viable use of my property. It's a taking of my property."

Moses said his architect had received a call from the city planner assigned to him asking that he not be present at a hearing because the application would be turned down. "It reeks of conspiracy," he charged.

However, Moses had refused to submit a new plan to the commission changing setbacks and other more minor details until he could get a council determination on the alleged "massing" of the design proposed for a site on the west side of North Camino Real between Second and Fourth Avenues.

Noting that these details were not handled, the council denied Moses' appeal sending him back to the Commission. After two hours of debate, however, it also separately discussed the "massing" problem in an attempt to give him the guidance he sought.

"I have $400,000 buried in that dirt down there for six months with no interest," Moses said. "I would like to know specifically what I have to do to get a house plan approved."

When he showed the council photographs of the large houses in the area, Grace told him, "If these houses came before us today we wouldn't approve them."

"I'm just asking for a little justice here," Moses said.

"Carmel is not Palm Springs," said architect John Mandurrago, "We're trying to get as much light as possible."

A second appeal with an equally thorny issue went in favor of the appellants—Rod Santos, Richard Clark and Wendy Duffy, who claimed it was unfair for the Planning Commission to refuse them permission to put back a partition in one of their commercial spaces unless they paid a $25,000 in lieu parking fee.

Clark said the group, which owns the Bell Tower courtyard on the southeast corner of Seventh and San Carlos, had paid in lieu parking fees about 1973 when they removed a partition to give a real estate firm tenant more space.

A prospective tenant had asked to rent just half the space and now the owners want to put back the original partition. The space has been vacant for a year, Clark said. "We've already paid. Some buildings have never paid anything. It's just too much for you to ask."

"It's been a contentious issue for years in Carmel where parking demand has always exceeded parking supply," said Councilman Jim Wright, adding that he thought the ordinance was flawed.

"It would really be unfair to go ahead and have these people pay another in lieu parking fee," said Councilman Bob Fischer.

But Councilwoman Barbara Brooks said as far as she was concerned the case met the ordinance criteria and, "I don't see any way out of it."

"We're stuck with it," agreed Councilman Ken White. "We should come up with some kind of formula. We should follow the ordinance until such time as we become uncomfortable with it then we ought to change it."

"The ordinance says if you abandon the use for more than six months you lose that use and you have to reapply to establish it," explained City Attorney Don Freeman.

"We're going from 28 employes (in the real estate office) to three," argued Tom Duffy, husband of one of the owners. "It doesn't make sense to interpret that by saying that when you reduce the parking load dramatically you have to pay. It's an incredible burden for a landlord."

"There's a flaw in the ordinance," Wright insisted. "You can see the absurdity of this every time you put a wall in or out."

A motion by Brooks, seconded by White, to deny the appeal was rejected 3-2. A mo-

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Board Approves CV Road Signal; Denies Plot to Win Freeway Okay

The Board of Supervisors authorized the installation of a stop signal at Highway 1 and Carmel Valley Road Tuesday, assuring residents it is a legitimate attempt to ease congestion and not a ploy to win approval of the controversial Hatton Canyon Freeway.

Chair Karin Strasser Kauffman, who championed the agreement between the County and Caltrans for the light, suggested it would be only the first in a series of improvements, including construction of stacking and turning lanes on Highway 1.

She also mentioned other interim improvements might be made, including better synchronization of the lights on Rio Road near the Crossroads Shopping Center.

Emphasizing that the new signal was only an interim step and not a substitute for a freeway or four-laning of Highway 1, she declared: "It's not a savior, but it's a beginning step. It's the first time Caltrans has been willing to spend money for interim improvements" on the heavily travelled stretch of two-lane road east of Carmel.

Supervisors unanimously agreed to enter into an agreement with Caltrans calling for the agency to pay $120,000 for construction and operating costs of the light, while the County will do an estimated $30,000 worth of design and engineering.

Using the latest in computerized sensing and control technology, the light will be tied to and synchronized with existing signals at Ocean Avenue, Rio Road and Carmel Rancho Boulevard in an effort to ease congestion. Traffic at the intersection and up Carmel Hill on the two-lanes of Highway 1 is worst at rush hour and on summer weekends when many tourists drive scenic Highway 1 along the coast.

Declaring he still opposed the freeway, Supervisor Sam Karas said his office had received calls from freeway opponents suggesting the light was being installed knowing it would not ease congestion and this failure would then be used to argue for the freeway.

"This is not an attempt to win approval of the freeway," he said. Noting Strasser Kauffman's role in winning Caltrans' agreement to put in the light, Karas said he knew she never would be a party to such a ploy.

As she has before, Strasser Kauffman said she was simply trying to gain "some breathing room for locals inundated by all this through traffic."

Applauding the role of the County Public Works Department, she said "it was not easy to persuade Caltrans" to go along with the idea of a temporary signal light at the Carmel Valley Road intersection. She noted that Caltrans had argued in the past that money should be spent for improvements that would provide acceptable service for 20 years even with increased population and travel.

With the agreement, Director Gerald Gromko of the County Public Works Department said, "We will move forward immediately. Residents can expect to see the signal in operation in September of this year."

Strasser Kauffman also said the three closely spaced traffic lights on Rio Road near the shopping center "have been the subject of great complaint through the years." In suggesting they could be better managed, she said, "We're working through this incrementally." She said she would also have Gromko's department "look at any other interim improvements that could be made in the area."

The suspicions of freeway opponents about the use of the signal light have been fueled by comments by Caltrans officials who have publicly expressed doubts that the light will help ease congestion and could even make it worse. Despite those views, Caltrans went along with the idea of a signal when pressured by Strasser Kauffman.

After a delay of four years because of disagreement within state and federal agencies, Caltrans has certified a final environmental impact report on the proposed 2.8 mile freeway. But it has been challenged as inadequate in federal court by freeway opponents.

CBA to Install Directors

New members of the Carmel Business Association Board of Directors will be installed Tuesday at the Carmel Woman's Club at 6 p.m.

New directors are Ed Johnson of Toots Lagoon, Don Bowen of Carmel Business Sales, Denise Winning of Wells Fargo Bank and John Wilson of the Pine Inn. CBA President Gary Luce also has appointed Dolores Kazantzides of Greek Taverna to an empty unexpired board seat.

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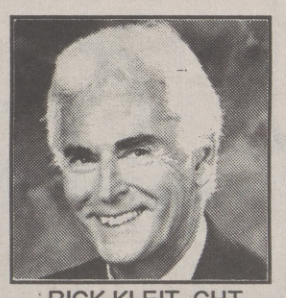

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70 Percent Expansion

CRA Circulates Petition; Opposes Zoning Changes

The Carmel Residents Association circulated a petition Wednesday opposing the Planning Commission's proposed extension of the Central Commercial District to Fifth and Seventh Avenues saying if amounted to a 70 percent expansion that would "change our Village forever."

"This means that our favorite resident-serving businesses will be replaced by T-shirt shops, souvenir shops, gift shops and jewelry stores," the petition states.

"The commission also recommends deleting the term 'resident-serving business' from the General Plan and combining/weakening the two residential buffer zones."

Director Linda Anderson said the group decided to circulate the petition only after Mayor Jean Grace announced Tuesday night that there would be a special joint meeting of the council and the commission at 4 p.m. Feb. 11 specifically to hear public comment.

It asks the council to "not expand the Central Commercial tourist-serving district; maintain the policy encouraging resident-serving business; and retain the resident-serving buffer zones as they now exist."

Using figures it said were provided by the Planning Department, the petition said the current central commercial district was 507,000 square feet while the proposed new district would measure 864,000 square feet or a 70 percent increase.

"Even the Planning Department was surprised," Anderson said. The actual figures have never been mentioned during the year-long study and public hearing process on the zoning study.

If adopted, the CRA said the commission's recommendations "would change our village forever and move commercial activity closer to our neighborhoods. This report contains many errors and unsubstantiated assumptions and uses soothing words such as 'streamlining,' 'simplification' and 'straightening lines' to mask the radical changes it proposes," the CRA said in a fact sheet accompanying the petition.

It blamed Grace for refusing to allow public testimony by the standing-room only crowd at special session Jan. 28 and urged the public to attend the next meeting Feb. 11, even advising people to check with City Hall in case it is moved to a larger location.

"The proposal recommends combining the two existing buffer zones (Service Commercial and Resident Commercial) which protect our neighborhoods from more intensive commercial activity," the CRA said. "The resulting single zone would allow far more commercial activity and be less protective than the two zones now in existence."

It also claimed that expansion of the central commercial district and "weakening of the buffer zones will squeeze out resident-oriented businesses such as hardware stores, barber/beauty shops, insurance agents, CPAs, or doctors in favor of more lucrative T-shirt shops, jewelry stores or gift/souvenir shops."

"The assumptions and recommendations in this Commercial Zoning Study are not backed up by any professional studies as to their effects on rents, property values, traffic or parking," the group added. One of its complaints throughout the study period was that a professional consultant had not been hired.

SISTER ANNA VOSS, 85-year-old retired nun, was honored Saturday for her role in establishing the docent corps at Point Lobos Reserve. Above, she is congratulated by Bill Nye, chairman of the Point Lobos Natural History Association, at its annual meeting. *Sun Photo by Stan Hall*

Sister Anna Honored for Her Point Lobos Docents Program

The Point Lobos Natural History Association paid tribute Saturday to Sister Anna Voss, an 85-year-old retired teacher who developed the training that produced the strong docent system at the state reserve south of Carmel.

At the association's annual meeting, Sister Anna received commendations from the state Senate and Assembly, the City of Carmel and the state Parks Department. Assemblyman Sam Farr, Mayor Jean Grace, Chief Ranger Glen McGowan and Bill Nye, chairman of the association, did the honors.

Still bright and lively, the retired nun from the order of Sisters of Notre Dame told about 60 people on hand for the meeting, "I loved teaching."

Serving as a docent at Point Lobos and the Monterey Bay Aquarium has allowed her to continue to teach even after her retirement from the classroom, she said. "It has been a joy for me."

When the docent system for Point Lobos was started in 1981, Sister Anna developed and supervised the training program for the first five years. Her program is based on continuing education for docents, with a new training session every month.

"Now with more than 100 active docents, it (the Point Lobos program) is one of the largest in the California state parks," Nye said, "and we've been told, one of the best."

While she headed the docent training program, Sister Anna photographed nearly every plant and geological formation on the 554-acre park to illustrate her training lectures. As a docent herself, she still leads nature walks through the coastal park which attracts some 300,000 visitors annually and presents her slide show on the reserve to various groups.

In his presentation, McGowan called her "a great old gal," saying that term reflected the kind of warm relationship that existed between the reserve's professional staff and Voss.

Addressing her fellow docents, she praised them "as a wonderful group of educated and caring people; they care both for the environment and each other."

After earning a B. A. in chemistry and an M. A. in biology from Stanford, Voss taught chemistry, mathematics and natural sciences for 50 years at elementary, secondary and college levels in California, Massachusetts and Hawaii.

While teaching near the Central Coast, she said she first brought classes to Carmel and Point Lobos in the 1930s. Point Lobos became a part of the new state parks system in 1933.

Sister Anna moved to the Carmel area on her retirement at age 71, living with her order at Villa Angelica just off Monastery Beach from 1978 to 1984.

She took special note of the help the Sisters of Notre Dame still provide her, and in closing said, "God bless the bunch of you."

Park Board Wants Bridge in Carmel Park

On a 5-0 vote, directors of the regional park district volunteered Monday night to help the City of Carmel design its Rio Park by endorsing the idea of a bridge over the river from the park.

"It's not up to them," responded Mayor Jean Grace of Carmel. "I'm mystified why they would take that action. It's not their property."

The dispute recalled the public uproar the park district caused last year when it insisted that Clint Eastwood's Mission Ranch allow a trail across wetlands owned by the ranch. In the face of sharp public opposition, the park district finally settled for a possible future trail on existing easements adjacent to roads around the ranch.

The proposed bridge would be in the vicinity of an existing trestle bridge near the sewage treatment plant, general manger Gary Tate told the park district board, noting that no bridge is shown on the City's Rio Park plan.

"The City of Carmel may be reluctant to show the bridge because they may then have to fund it," Tate said.

"Does anyone have any idea what it might cost?" Director Sean Flavin asked.

"No," Tate responded.

Director Zad Leavy asked Tate, "Why is Carmel not presenting this?"

Tate replied, "I could not get them to make the presentation. I don't think they want to pay for it."

Leavy asked, "I just wonder if the City is cool to it for some reason."

Tate suggested that Leavy could call City Administrator Doug Schmitz and ask if there was any opposition to the idea, but he didn't think so.

Grace told the *Sun* the City declined to appear before the park district board because its plans for Rio Park are not completed. "We haven't had hearings. Nothing has been decided."

The board voted 5-0 to add the bridge to the park plan, with members agreeing the park district will coordinate efforts with the City to seek outside funds for its construction. Board members said the park district would support Carmel's application to the Local Agency Formation Commission to annex the 6.5 acre Rio Park to the City.

After decades of silence, traditional Carmel Valley Indian legends will come to life again as Rumsen Costanoan descendants Alex Ramirez and Linda Yamane share their cultural heritage in Carmel Valley. Children and adults are welcome to an afternoon of storytelling, hands-on activities, and cultural exhibits, including native plants from Hatton Canyon and their traditional uses. Festivities will take place on Saturday, February 8th, beginning at 12:30 p.m. in historic Rosie's Cracker Barrel, #1 Esquiline Road, Carmel Valley.

Alex 0. Ramirez is a member of the local Onesimo family and author of *Tjatjakiymatchan*, a coyote legend learned in his childhood in Carmel Valley. This book is the first publication of the Carmel Valley Indian Cultural Center, a group formed last year by descendants of the area's native people. The book will be on sale for $5.00. The author will sign books between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. at a reception sponsored by the Carmel Valley History Society. More information may be obtained by calling 659-2629.

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MAYOR JEAN GRACE of Carmel visits with the wife of Don Murphy, new director of the state Parks Department, at a recent send-off for the former Big Sur parks superintendent. *Sun photoby Stan Hall*

Plan Amendment to Allow Shoulder Parking at Monastery Beach Sought

The County Planning Commission was told Tuesday to propose an amendment to the Carmel Land Use Plan which would permit continued parking alongside Highway 1 at Monastery Beach.

The Board of Supervisors unanimously voted to send the matter to the commission, suggesting the new language also should provide for improvements to the shoulder parking. Both the Land Use Plan and Coastal Implementation Plan must be changed, and the changes must be be approved by the state Coastal Commission.

In proposing the action, Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman said "We don't want to open up the land use plan in terms of other projects." But she said the amendment should allow more flexibility in dealing with issues of safety and visual pollution at the beach just south of Carmel.

She said the present language in the Land Use Plan "is sufficiently detailed to prevent on-shoulder parking with the kinds of improvements that have been suggested."

The move to amend the plan follows the decision of Don Murphy, the new director of the state Parks Department, to withdraw an application to build an off-highway lot immediately behind Bay School at the beach. He acted in the face of vocal opposition to the proposal.

Strasser Kauffman noted that the County has been wrestling with the idea of off-highway parking at the beach for 12 years. She said permitting continued shoulder parking with improvements such as those suggested by the City of Carmel would be "less intrusive and more protective" than the off-highway lots that have been proposed in the past.

In drafting new language, the County said it would consult with the Parks Department, Caltrans, California Highway Patrol and the County Public Works Department and Planning Commission.

Perkins and Shipnuck Named to LAFCO

Supervisors Tom Perkins and Barbara Shipnuck were sworn in as new commissioners on the Local Agency Formation Commission(LAFCO) on Jan. 28.

Appointed by the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, Perkins replaces Marc Del Piero as a regular commissioner representing the county and Shipnuck fills the alternate county member position previously held by Perkins on the five-member commission.

Grace Mulls Supervisor's Race

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was one of those who has urged Grace to run.

"She's listens to people," Crane-Franks said. "She hasn't made up her mind before she's heard what people say.

"From people I know there's a lot of support," she added, explaining that she was talking about people in Carmel Valley and east to Cachagua where she lives.

A supporter of term limiations for politicans, Crane-Frnks said, "I have a lot of respect for Karin. I really do think she should move up. She's an excellent politician and very good at what she does.

"A lot of people privately would say, 'that's great,' when they hear Jean Grace is considering running. But a lot of people won't speak up, and I don't think that's right."

The fifth district has been described as "an unforgiving district" for politicians. The highly educated, wealthy constituents who predominate ask a lot but may not be as vocal as some of the environmentalists who ask even more of their representative.

Strasser Kauffman has taken the middle road for the most part but angered people on many sides of the issue over whether the California State Parks Department should be allowed to build a parking lot at Monastery Beach. The City of Carmel, led by Grace, was in the forefront of the opposition.

Environmentalists want her to come out strongly against the proposed Hatton Canyon Freeway, another controversy in which Carmel is strongly opposed. The City joined the Sierra Club and the Hatton Canyon Coalition in a lawsuit demanding a revised Environmental Impact Report that would further delay construction of 2.8 miles of freeway to relieve congestion on Highway 1 south of Carmel.

Strasser Kauffman also seems to have disenchanted some Carmel Valley leaders who have been looking for someone to oppose her for over a year. Robert Infelise said he was approached when he retired as superintendent of the Carmel Unified School District.

Another source said local writer Patrick Gallagher was also a possible candidate being urged to run.

On the other hand, residents of Carmel Point, angry at a suggestion they be annexed to the City of Carmel, had nothing but praise for Strasser Kauffman and her office in several letters to the *Sun* last week. The consensus seemed to be that a call to her office was always handled expeditiously.

The slender brunette also has a track record of turning up at virtually every meeting or major event in her sprawling district that runs virtually from Marina south to the San Luis Obispo County line.

The job of supervisor pays $57,456 a year which would be one attraction for Grace who earns just $2,400 a year as mayor. She also is as a part-time college instructor.

Two Men Charged With Thefts from Cars

Two young men were apprehended Tuesday night by Carmel police and charged with thefts from four parked cars following a foot chase.

Richard Frank, 19, Carmel Valley, and Justin Saunders, 18, Carmel, were being held in county jail Wednesday in lieu of $5,000 bail. Sgt. Pete Poitras of the Carmel police department said they will probably be arraigned on Thursday.

A camera, a bag, and some small items allegedly were taken by the two men from vehicles parked in the business district. A woman alerted police when she observed them acting suspiciously, Poitras said. All the victims have been identified and the recovered items returned to them, Poitras said.

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By Supervisors

Vote on North California Vetoed

Monterey County voters won't get the chance to say in the June election whether they favor the idea of splitting the state into North and South California.

Supervisors unanimously rejected a proposal Tuesday to put the question on the ballot as an advisory issue, calling the suggestion a travesty, non-productive, an insult, hype and a divisive issue that would divert attention from more serious matters.

Supervisor Sam Karas, who brought the matter before his colleagues, was the first to declare that he didn't like the idea at all. He said he asked the supervisors to consider it only because he had been asked to do so by Assembly Speaker Willie Brown and Assemblyman Sam Farr of Carmel.

"I'm not sure North California is a good idea," Karas joked, "but I'd like to be the governor."

Karas said the idea of splitting the 800-mile long state was not new, having been considered by the early settlers and in serious proposals in 1941, 1965 and 1967.

"Why is it coming up again now?" Karas asked, answering his rhetorical question by suggesting the reason was that a number of rural northern California counties "are teetering on bankruptcy."

Assemblyman Stan Statham of Redding has been pushing the idea of possibly dividing the state lately. He asked Monterey County to join 22 other northern counties in putting two advisory questions on the June ballot:

1. Should California be divided into two states?

2. If a 51st state is created, would you like your county to be a part of it?

Supervisor Barbara Shipnuck said the idea would simply result in two marginal states. "We don't know what boundary he wants, and without that, you can't do a financial analysis. It's unfortunate to spend so much time on this issue."

She suggested time would be better spent getting the state's 52 representatives to work together to influence federal policy the way the large congressional delegations from Texas and Florida do. "Maybe then we'd get some federal goodies," she said.

Supervisor Tom Perkins said the issue of dividing the state would just give members of the state legislature "opportunities to disagree with each other." He suggested the idea might be considered "at some other time."

Calling the idea "a travesty," Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman said putting it on the ballot would cost $10,000 to $20,000 in Monterey County alone.

"It's an insult to voters to ask that question without explaining what the consequences would be," she said. "A balanced budget—put that on the ballot."

Shipnuck suggested northern counties are now interested in creating a 51st state because their economies have been damaged so badly by federal environmental policies affecting the timber industry. She said rather than considering creation of a new state, effort should be expended to devise programs to take care of people when federal regulations cause the loss of jobs.

Setting It Straight

The Carmel girls basketball score in the game against King City Jan. 28 was reported incorrectly. It was 58-44.

In the *Sun's* story on Pacific Meadows Jan. 23 it was reported no deposit is required when renting the apartments. One month's rent is required as a deposit.

In a story on a bus evacuation drill in Cachagua in the Jan. 30 edition, the *Sun* reported the state requires such a drill only every five years, but the Carmel School District said it required one every year.

Agencies Approve Dam Plans Despite Worries about Fish

Despite some continuing worry about the fish, agencies which must approve the water management district's plan for a new Los Padres dam on the Carmel River again gave the project a thumbs up Friday at a meeting called by Rep. Leon Panetta.

Specifically, they approved the district's "work plan" for how it intends to respond to the agencies' concerns about the project expressed in their comments on the project's draft environmental impact report/statement.

Saying that all the agencies agreed that the district needs new water from some source, Chairman Dale Hekhuis of the water management district board reported: "The adversarial aspects have now gone out of these meetings. There ought to be a way to get the job done."

He said representatives of the agencies are now getting to know the district's staff people and with Panetta calling the meeting, higher ranking officials attended from the agencies than might have otherwise been the case.

In the meetings, Panetta goes around the table asking each agency if it will give the proposed project a green light, a yellow one or even a red. At an initial meeting with Panetta late last year, the agencies said they saw no red lights that could kill the project, but many of them said they needed more information.

General Manager Jim Cofer of the water management district said said all the agencies at Friday's session gave the project green lights except National Marine Fisheries and the state Fish & Game Department, which flashed yellows. He explained that both agencies had doubts about the mitigations planned to offset the dam's impact on fish in the river. But he said even those agencies expressed confidence that their concerns could be resolved.

"The biggest issue remaining is the operational schedule—the releases of water that will be made to support the fish," Cofer gold the Sun.

At the end of the Friday meeting, Panetta said he did not see any need to convene the group again, but could do so if problems arose, Cofer and Hekhuis said.

"I feel pretty good," Cofer said, "better than after the last meeting."

In a statement, the water management district said agencies attending the meeting "echoed the sentiment of the Environmental Protection Agency, which stated that it was 'generally very pleased' with the district's work plan, which should be completed by July."

The 1,000-page draft EIR/S examined 10 different alternative water supply projects, but the agencies agreed that the final EIR/S need only address a new Los Padres dam both with and without a companion desalination project, a smaller Canada dam combined with desal and a large, stand-alone desalination project. By law, the district also must analyze the impacts of not doing anything.

Salinas Man Drowns At Carmel Beach

The body of 19-year-old Juan Salcedo of Salinas still has not been recovered following his disappearance in the heavy surf at Carmel beach Jan. 29.

Sgt. Pete Poitras of the Carmel police department said the search was called off at around 3 that afternoon.

"It was decided there was no hope," he said. Salcedo had come on his own to the beach to join a group from the Salinas Adult School. He and his brother and another friend went into the surf. The two other young men were able to get out of the water on their own, but Salcedo disappeared under the waves.

"It was very rough that day," Poitras said. He estimated the waves between four and eight feet. He said Salcedo was not seen by anyone once he went under.

"We literally pulled out all the stops," in searching for the man, Poitras said. The Fort Ord MAST helicopter, a Coast Guard helicopter and boats, the Pacific Grove Ocean Rescue Team, the Carmel Fire Department and Carmel public works all responded to the call.

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Pebble Beach Sale Adds $1 Million to School Fund

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taxes are spread across all 122 special districts funded by the County, so Carmel schools still have a windfall from the reassessment.

"We are being cautious in regards to property tax income," Baldwin said. "We don't want to make any long term commitments until we are in receipt of the anticipated income."

The Del Monte Forest property sales, including the Pebble Beach Co. and private residential sales, translated into an increase of $4 million in revenue for the county this year, Nicolai said. Of that amount, Carmel schools receive 25 percent or $1 million. The other $700,000 of the $1.7 increase for the district came from increased taxes from other areas within the school district, Nicolai said.

"The Pebble Beach amount could drop down in the future," Nicolai said depending on what happens when the appeals are heard.

In 1990-91, the Carmel school district received $8.3 million from local property taxes, and Nicolai said the district will receive $10 million in 1991-92.

The other money in the district's $14.2 million 1991-92 budget will come from state and federal funding.

Despite the increased income, Baldwin said Carmel schools still have the same facility improvement needs as when the district was campaigning for passage of Measure A.

"The capital needs of the school still exist and in fact are greater today than they were a year ago." But he said the district is making some inroads.

Baldwin recently wrote to the people who worked on the Measure A committee or were among the 92 individuals who voluntarily contributed $8,840 to the school district after the measure failed. In his letter, Baldwin said this year Carmel school district has authorized:

—$100,000 for computer equipment

—$80,000 to replace two relocatable classrooms that do not meet revised earthquake safety standards.

—$30,000 to replace maintenance vehicles.

—$50,000 for disaster preparedness equipment.

—$30,000 for lease/purchase of three, 84 passenger school buses which cost $82,147 per bus and will be financed over five years.

"The expenditures are a drop in the bucket given the $3.5 million plus that is needed (for facility renovation and repair)," Baldwin said. "But it's a start."

The district has an extensive list of improvements that are needed, including painting, reroofing and plumbing and electrical renovation.

Baldwin said the district's day-to-day operating budget remains relatively healthy and low class size is being maintained, and the high school added a seventh period to its day this year.

"Hopefully we will be able to provide employees with a reasonable cost-of-living increase as a result of the negotiation process," he said. The school board has not yet reached agreement with teachers on a new contract for this school year.

But Baldwin said he does not look optimistically to the future of school financing. "The state is again in serious financial trouble and schools have been told to get braced for another financial squeeze," he said.

He added that "Carmel Unified School District's unique manner of financing is in jeopardy."

The district is one of 41 districts statewide which relies on local property taxes with a minimum of basic state aid—$256,000 a year, according to Bob Oliphant at the State Department of Education. The state has 1,012 school districts, and all but those 41 with especially strong local tax bases are funded directly by the state on an average daily attendance formula.

"We've been able to maintain and enhance programs," Baldwin said. "Most other school districts have had to lay off staff, cut programs and transportation."

He also said a state initiative petition now being circulated could create a voucher system which would allow students $2,600 from public education funds toward payment of private school tuition. This could have a debilitating affect on public school finances, Baldwin said. If enough signatures are collected throughout the state, the initiative will be placed on the November ballot, he said.

WILDLIFE ASSOCIATES brought an opossum, a turkey vulture and abobcat to a Tularcitos Elementary school assembly Jan. 29. Wild animals do not make good pets, presenters told the students. Their baby opossum named "Oh No" was given to the center after he chewed holes in furniture and bit the lady who had picked him up in a wild area, they said. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

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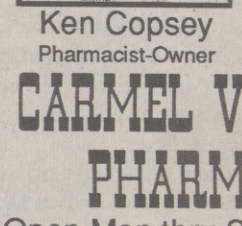

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Anabolic Steroids and Teenage Athletes

The use of performance enhancing drugs by athletes continues to be reported. Anabolic steroids and amphetamines seem to be the focus of most media reports.

Anabolic steroids are commonly referred to as "male hormones." Some teenage athletes have been told that steroids will improve performance. A recent study of over three thousand male high school seniors indicated that 6.6 percent use or had used steroids. Over two-thirds indicated that they were 16 years old or younger when they started using steroids. Teenage athletes should know the following about these drugs:

1. Anabolic steroids do not promote muscle growth in *boys* or *women*. Large doses of steroids may stimulate muscle growth in *men*.

2. It is not known whether or not steroids improve athletic performance. Even if physical strength increases, it has not been shown that strength alone improves athletic performance

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Senior Volunteers Make Phone Checks on Other Carmel Seniors

By Carolyn Rice

"It's hard for people to admit they're lonely or they need checked up on," said desk officer Cathy Dampier of the Carmel police. Dampier has seven volunteers—in their 70s and 80s themselves—who come every morning to the Carmel-by-the-Sea police station to give 12 elderly residents a phone call as part of a program called Seniors Helping Seniors. There's no charge to those who receive the calls.

Bill Gerber, 84, volunteers on Wednesday morning. He said he arrives about 9:30 a.m. and spends 30 to 45 minutes on the phone. "It's a very stimulating experience," Gerber said. "It's the highlight of my week."

He has made the calls for the past three years. The program began in 1987.

"Each person you call is a different person. You have to be aware of their nature and what they want to hear," Gerber said. He said he always talks about the weather. One lady is a tennis fan and another likes to update him on the self-help books she is currently reading, so he chats with them about their interests.

"Occasionally you can sense they are upset," Gerber said.

If the resident seems like he really isn't like his or her regular self, the volunteer alerts Dampier who asks an on-duty police officer to check on the person.

"If they tell me they don't sound well, I send an officer to see if they need medical attention," she said. Also, if they do not answer after two calls spaced a few minute apart, an officer is dispatched.

Dampier said some of the residents just want to say "Yes, I'm fine," when they get the call. Others like to chat. "I can hear them laughing all the way down the hall," she said. The volunteers have a small desk in the police lounge they use when making the calls.

"They are disappointed if the volunteers don't show up, and I make the calls," Dampier said.

She said most of those who receive the calls are women. "Men have been tough to get into the program. It's harder for them to admit they are lonely or need called," Dampier said. She has three men volunteers on her calling team.

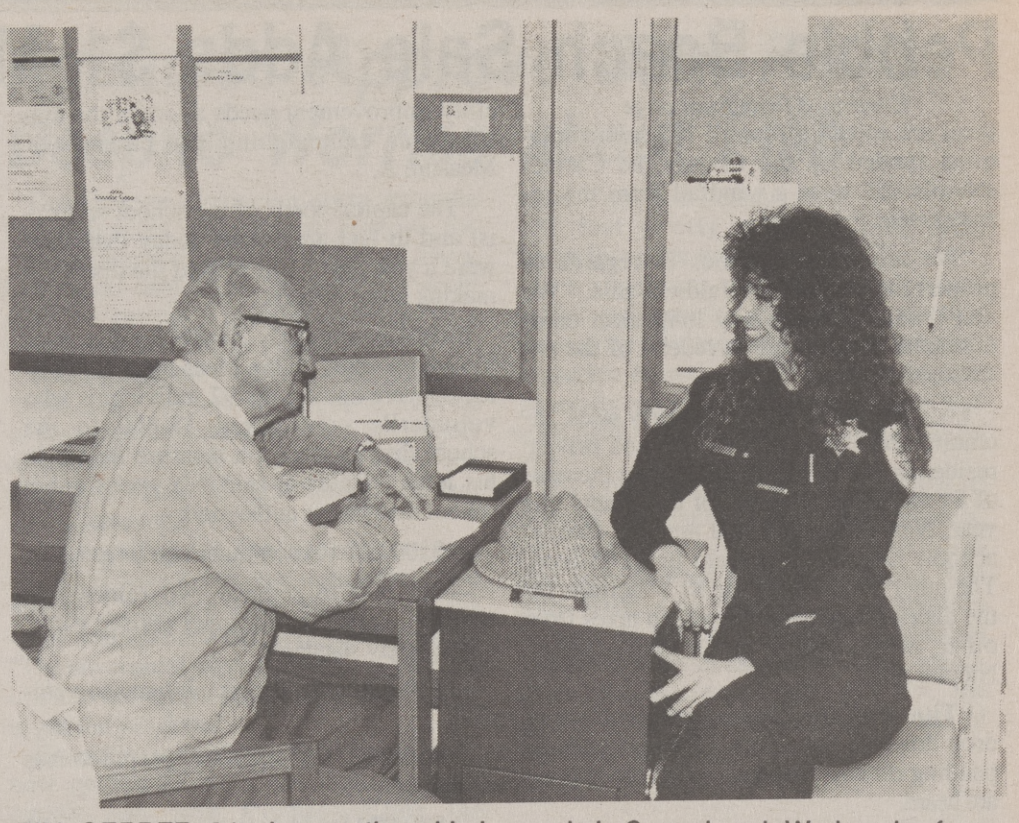
Gerber said in recent weeks, a lady he had been calling had died. "I had never met her personally, but I felt a loss when she died. I know I'm a high risk person too, at my age. But I try not to dwell on it." Gerber said he always tries to keep his spirits up when making the calls.

Dampier said the Carmel Police Officer's Association raises money to sponsor the program. At Christmas, the group had a lunch at the station for the volunteers and those who receive the calls so they could meet each other.

Sometimes residents ask for the telephone calls, and other times a family may request it for them. "Families can request the service even on a temporary basis when they are on vacation and want someone to check on an elderly parent who they usually check on each day," Dampier said.

She said anyone who would like to receive the daily calls can request the service by phoning the Carmel police station at 624-6403.

She has a full volunteer crew right now with seven regulars and one alternate.



BILL GERBER, 84, phones other elderly people in Carmel each Wednesday from the Carmel police station to check on their well-being. Gerber chatted with Cathy Dampier, desk officer, who coordinates the Seniors Helping Seniors program for the police department. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

Carmel Piques Most Interest in Texas and Illinois

Texas and Illinois accounted for the bulk of out-of-state telephone calls to the Carmel Business Association (CBA) last year. The Los Angeles area was consistently the largest source of California calls.

During each of the first three quarters of the year Texas calls led the list, trading with Illinois in the fourth quarter. Illinois was the source of the second largest number of calls during the first quarter but gave way to New York in the second and third quarters.

Other states logged included Florida, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Arizona, Washington and Colorado.

California calls come mostly from the Los Angeles and San Francisco Bay areas followed by San José, East Bay and San Diego, the CBA breakdown showed. The inquiries resulted in information about the city being mailed to about 15,000 people last year, a spokesman said.

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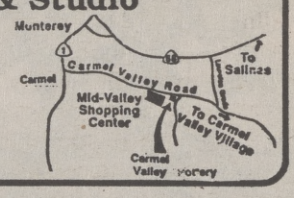

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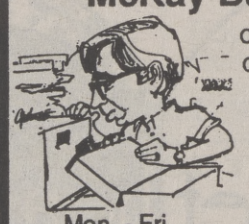
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Lagoon Plan Would Improve Wetlands and Flood Control

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the summer to block the river's flow to the ocean—something it has not done in the past.

The report said over time, the northern edge of the lagoon has been filled, the south arm has all but disappeared and the the total area of wetlands has shrunk. While man has been responsible for some of the changes, a principal reason may be the lack of major floods in recent decades.

At present, the lagoon comprises about six acres in the dry summer months, expanding to 40 or 50 acres when the lagoon rises during winter rains and before the mouth of the river is breached to allow the river to flow to the sea.

The report said the upper 21 miles of the Carmel River which drains a 255-square-mile watershed has little water-bearing sand underneath it, but the lower 15 miles of alluvium under the river is deeper and wider. As such, it is the storage place for most of the water the peninsula uses. Williams said the water-bearing alluvium at the mouth of the Valley is more than a half-mile wide and 150-feet deep.

The flow down the river averaged about 77,500 acre-feet a year since a gauge was installed in 1962, ranging from nothing in drought years to 350,000 acre-feet in 1983, the report said.

A granite bluff forms the southwest boundary of the lagoon, and the deepest river channel runs alongside it, Williams wrote. Sand is either deposited in the lagoon or washed out of it, depending on the strength of the flow of the river. The salinity of the lagoon depends on the river flow and whether strong ocean tides surge salt water over the top of dunes and into the lagoon.

Noting the importance of wetlands and riparian vegetation to migrating birds, Williams said that the proposed Hatton Canyon Freeway to take Highway 1 around Carmel is being challenged because it would impact wetlands that support wildlife.

"Ironically, ...the much more extensive riparian forest along the lower Carmel River has suffered extensive mortality, especially among cottonwoods, as unprecedented groundwater extraction during the drought has lowered the water table," he said.

Focusing on the lagoon as an area to support juvenile steelhead, Williams said one of the major questions motivating his proposal concerned the environmental impacts of opening the river mouth in the winter to keep houses built near the wetlands from flooding.

This practice, he concluded, not only allowed upland vegetation to encroach where wetland species otherwise would grow, but also diminished the ability of the lagoon to support young steelhead.

"If the wetland remained flooded, juvenile steelhead migrating down with early flows, or steelhead that survived the summer in the lagoon, would have a potentially rich feeding area," he wrote "...Potentially, the lagoon could be important summer habitat for these young fish."

In proposing that a south arm of the lagoon be dredged out, Williams said it was one of four principal issues to be addressed about the lagoon and adjacent areas. He said the south arm of the lagoon has suffered from being filed with sediment in recent decades "especially during construction of the Carmel Meadows subdivision" and the outfall for the wastewater treatment plant near the mouth of the river. "This has reduced the value of the arm as a refuse of deep and shaded water for steelhead and other animals."

The three other principal concerns Williams raised were:

- Diversion of water from the river to supply the populace of the Monterey Peninsula which causes the river to go dry, killing young steelhead and other fish.
- Encroachment of housing into the lagoon wetlands which makes it necessary to open the mouth of the river to avoid flooding.

DETAILS OF A PROPOSED project to provide more support for steelhead and raparian vegetation at the Carmel River Lagoon and improve flood control shown on this ilustration from a consultant's report.

- Pumping of groundwater from the river aquifer during the present drought has "decimated" cottonwoods and alders in the riparian forest along the Carmel River.

Williams said historical analysis of the river played a key part in his study. "Fortunately, the historical record is rich. The area was accurately mapped in 1876, good photographs were taken as early as the 1880s... and conditions in the lagoon were discused at length in the transcript of a 1931 trial," Williams said.

The report estimated the cost of dredging some 25,000 cubic yards of material to reestablish the south arm of the lagoon would be about $350,000. The material could be dumped either on the east side of Highway 1 where the Odellos are proposing a subdivision or next to the highway on the west side of the road.

"The enlarged south arm may provide a refuge that would allow juvenile steelhead to survive through the late summer and fall," Williams said. Success in doing this would depend on planting trees to provide enough shade to keep water temperatures down and inhibit the growth of algae and other aquatic weeds which decompose in late summer to create high levels of carbon dioxide in the water.

The report said ideally the entire 115-acre artichoke field west of Highway 1 should be returned to forest dominated by cottonwoods and willows.

"The County's flood management program would largely restore the natural overbank flows in the area by partial removal of the levees along the south side of the river," the report said.

"The minimal approach would involve only levee removal and allow revegetation to occur naturally," it said. "The maximal approach...would involve development and implementation of a detailed restoration plan intended to restore the riparian forest as rapidly as possible."

The cost of such a project could run from $15,000 to $25,000 an acre, but might be accomplished for as little as $5,000 an acre if the Parks Department used California Conservation Corps labor, the report said.

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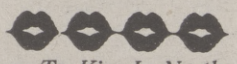
*Given a  rating by
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Garland Park Seen as Important Valley R

By Carolyn Rice

"It's a tremendous resource," said Mary Ann "Corky" Matthews of the California Native Plant Society. "It's something that all people in Carmel Valley have whether they use it or not."

She was describing Garland Ranch Park, 3,394 acres of flowers, birds, river, trees, other wildlife and coastal hills that stretch some six miles alongside the Carmel Valley Road. Starting at Holt road with 1,200 acres of trail easements in the Carmel Valley Ranch, the park stretches on out to Robles in the Village. It ranges in altitude from 168 feet above sea level at the Carmel River bed to 2,200 feet elevation at Snively's Ridge. From the ridge, hikers can see eight miles to the ocean, up and down Carmel Valley and over into the Salinas Valley.

Although 26,000 people enjoyed the facility last year, the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District only has a use permit for the central section of the park which gives it its name.

But on Wednesday, the regional park district will ask the County Planning Commission to approve 18 months of work on a new permit stemming from its January, 1990, acquisition of 144-acre Cooper Ranch.

"I've been told many times over the years the best thing that ever happened to Carmel Valley is Garland Park," said district manager Gary Tate who came here from the East Bay Regional Park District. Tate was hired in 1973, one year after the Park District was formed in 1972.

During his first days on the job, Tate said, "I wrote a letter to Bill Garland and said we were interested in purchasing his land. I wrote a letter to a lot of landowners and still am."

Garland Park was created in 1975 when Garland agreed to sell his 541 acres to the regional park district. It has grown to its present size through a series of acquisitions and donations.

"Many landowners have been very happy to sell their land to the park and eliminate the hassles of trying to go through the development process," Tate said.

"When we purchased Garland Park, we ran into objections. People thought we'd make a Toro Park out of it—an intense-use facility," he recalled.

But, for the most part, the sprawling park has kept its natural simplicity in the midst of an increasingly busy Valley, limiting uses to "passive" ones—a chance to commune with nature, to hike or to ride a horse. You can take a picnic to the park, but you'll have to eat it under the trees; no picnic tables or barbecues have been installed.

A brochure put out by the park naturalist lists 105 different species of birds which live in the park—31 of them known to breed there."And these are just the ones I've personally seen," said Nikki Nedeff, park naturalist. "There are probably many more."

HORSEBACK RIDERS are active users of the Valley's Garland Ranch Park. Above, John McCord of Carmel Valley leads Rusty while his 5-year-old son, Scott, enjoys the ride. If the regional park district's proposed use permit is approved, the park will finally allow mountain bike riders use of the trails on Cooper Ranch. *Sun photo by Isabelle Hall*

Matthews said the park is similarly blessed with wildflowers which pop out in colorful profusion in the spring after winter's rains.

"The wildflowers in the spring are simply spectacular," she said. "Garland Park has more plants than just about any other park."

Rattlesnakes still like to sun themselves on Garland Park's riding and hiking trails, attesting to efforts through the years to keep things the way they were. "People do have to watch where they walk," Tate said, although he has had no report of snake bites.

He has had a half dozen riders thrown from their horses during the years he's been at the park, and several hikers have gotten lost but no one for overnight.

The application for a use permit would open at least the Cooper Ranch portion of the park to more active use; mountain bikes would be allowed exclusive use of its trails.

A new use permit would cover 1,653 acres of the park. In addition to allowing biking on Cooper ranch, it also calls for creation of a bike trail designed to let youngsters move easily between the Boronda Road neighborhood, the Little League Park and the Robles area of the Village.

Currently, bicyclists are prohibited anywhere in the park due to a number of incidents between them and horse riders, Tate said. "We had a year's experiment with multiple-use trails with biking, hiking and horse riding which didn't work."

Under the new plan horses will continue to use existing Garland Park trails but be banned from the Cooper ranch. Like many residents, especially hikers and equestrians, Matthews opposes the plan. She agreed bikers need a place to ride, but said, "I think they ought to ride on graded roads."

The park's application said the proposed bike trail along the river "will provide year round safe access" between Boronda Road and Robles Del Rio neighborhoods and link them directly to the Little League park.

May Kitagawa, a resident of the Robles area, has written the Planning Commission asking them to approve the bike path. "This trail will allow so many children and families in the Boronda Road neighborhood access to the ball park without using our automobiles on Carmel Valley Road."

Kitagawa also favored opening Cooper Ranch to bikers. "Bicyclists deserve their fair share of public parklands in Carmel Valley."

The park staff originally had planned to open Cooper Ranch in 1990, and when that failed to materialize said it would open last October. Now staff members said they do not know when permits will be issued.

"I won't even venture a guess as to when," said Nedeff.

In filing for the permit, Tate said the park district has received "no special treatment from the county. I can guarantee you that. We've had to go through all the hoops."

The application was delayed while the park district completed archaeological, biological, geological and traffic studies. It also had to study Smith's Blue Butterfly which is found in the park and is on the endangered list, Tate said.

"The Monterey County Planning Department has finally deemed our application for a use permit at Garland Park complete," he said of the lengthy process.

The present use permit only covers the original 541 acres, according to Tate. He acknowledged, however, that the only part that is not already being used is the Cooper Ranch addition. (Included in the park's acreage, although not owned by the park, are 1,200 acres of open land made available for park use under the Carmel Valley Ranch use permit.)

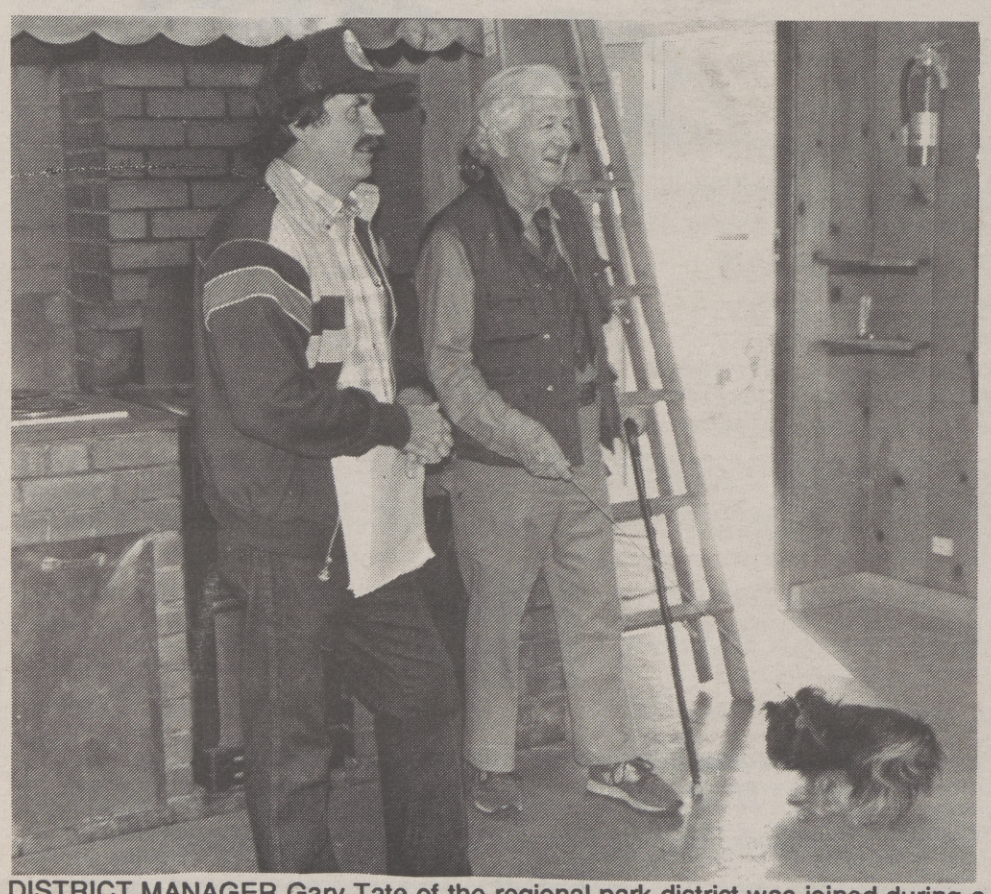
"In order for people to use the park legally, we need a use permit," Tate explained to an open house crowd of about 60 people who attended a Jan. 25 tour of the Cooper Ranch section.

The use permit application provides for:

- Relocation of the park district's administrative office to Cooper Ranch House.
- Public use of a meeting room at Cooper Ranch House including historical and interpretative displays.
- Future use for a historical site at Cooper Ranch.
- A Rumsen Indian Village on Cooper Ranch.
- Historical and interpretative display near the Cooper barn.
- Pedestrian and bicycle use at Cooper Ranch.
- Use of a Girl Scout shelter near the Carmel Valley Village Little League field for overnight stays by organized youth groups.
- Construction of a bicycle trail between East Garzas and the Little League Field to De Los Helechos Road.
- Public hiking and equestrian use of 1,600 acres in the Condon and deDampierre additions of Garland Park.

Cooper Ranch cost the park district $1.2 million. Proposition 70 funds provided $650,000 toward the purchase, and local tax money funded the rest, Tate said.

Tate said the district wants to use the existing visitor center purely for that purpose, and transfer its administrative office to the 2,400-square foot ranch house on the Cooper land. Within the next couple of weeks, the district plans to tear down or burn the caretaker's



DISTRICT MANAGER Gary Tate of the regional park district was joined during a recent open house at the Cooper Ranch addition to Garland Park by Stan Spohn, who brought his dog, Kit, with him. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

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house near the main Cooper Ranch house. Nedeff said it is "pretty far gone. It was not well constructed and would be prohibitively expensive to restore."

The use permit specifies that the area occupied by the caretaker's home be set aside for construction of a building for use by the Carmel Valley History Society.

Society president Marvin Pylate said the site is one alternative the group is considering. "We're also looking into some others," he said. "Everything is up in the air. It's a matter of funding," he said. "We should know within the next year what we're going to do."

But Pylate said the society hopes to have an exhibit in the main house at Cooper Ranch in any case and noted the permit would provide for that.

During the recent tour, visitors saw the old barn and packing shed located below the main house. Pylate said previous owners raised sheep and cattle and grew alfalfa, oat hay, and truck farm crops including broccoli, cauliflower, lettuce, cabbage, and "some very fine corn."

Nedeff said plans call for restoring the packing shed and barn, unused since the early '70s, to house exhibits. The handsome main house on Cooper Ranch was built in the '30s by a Dr. Hunter from Monterey, who "had a reputation as a party monster," Nedeff said. He added a large main dance hall room onto an existing small cabin and a bunkhouse for his guests.

How It Grew

Garland Park contains 3,394 acres:

1,200 acres of trail access under the Carmel Valley Ranch use permit

541 original park acres purchased in 1975 from Bill Garland for $1.3 million (80 percent of appraised value—20 percent charitable contribution)

502 acres from deDampierre family which was primarily gift to park in April 1987 with $50,000 paid by the park district

657 acres partly purchased by park and partly donated by Dorthea Veeder Condon and Tim Condon between 1980 and 1990

265 acres purchased from Stuyvesant Fish in a Dec.1986 $125,000 "bargain sale"

10 acres—Lazy Oaks—purchased from Merv Griffin for $100,000

27 acres obtained from Mrs. Stephen Kahn in exchange for deDampierre land

35 acres leased from Moo Land Corporation by Trail and Saddle Club

1 acre leased from Condon family for parking lot by Trail and Saddle Club

144 acre Cooper Ranch bought for $1.2 million in1990 with $650,000 from Proposition 70 and the balance from the park districts

One wooden wall which held the telephone still has numbers scrawled on it:Walt's Dairy—185J, Cypress Point Club—1010, Quality Meat Market—108 and Leidig Grocery—168.

Strolling through the meadow in front of the ranch house, Nedeff pointed out a nesting pair of American Kestrels. Red shouldered hawks are numerous in the park, but are considered rare in other parts of the state, she said.

Gopher holes are also numerous in the park, and while gardeners and farmers might bemoan a large gopher population on private land, they are an important part of the food chain for bobcats, hawks and great blue herons who live in the park, Nedeff said.

The open meadow below and in front of the ranch house used to be a dense streamside forest before it was cleared for agriculture use, Nedeff said, adding that the Monterey Peninsula Water Management district would like to use the area for a cottonwood streamside habitat to mitigate loss of wildlife habitat if the Los Padres dam is built.

"It will be a wonderful habitat," she said. "Almost all the streamside habitat is gone in Carmel Valley," reduced by the many homes which have been built along the River. "It's a nice place to live. It's flat, has rich soil and is a nice place to put orchards," she said, but the result is a great reduction in wildlife.

While working on the archaeological studies, Tate said he found a small Indian grinding rock located in a little grove of eucalyptus trees at the east end of the meadow below the main Cooper Ranch house. "It's on the side of the hill. That's an odd place for a grinding stone," he said. "Usually they are in a flat area." The park also has a large grinding stone in the original park acreage off Cottonwood trail near the waterfall.

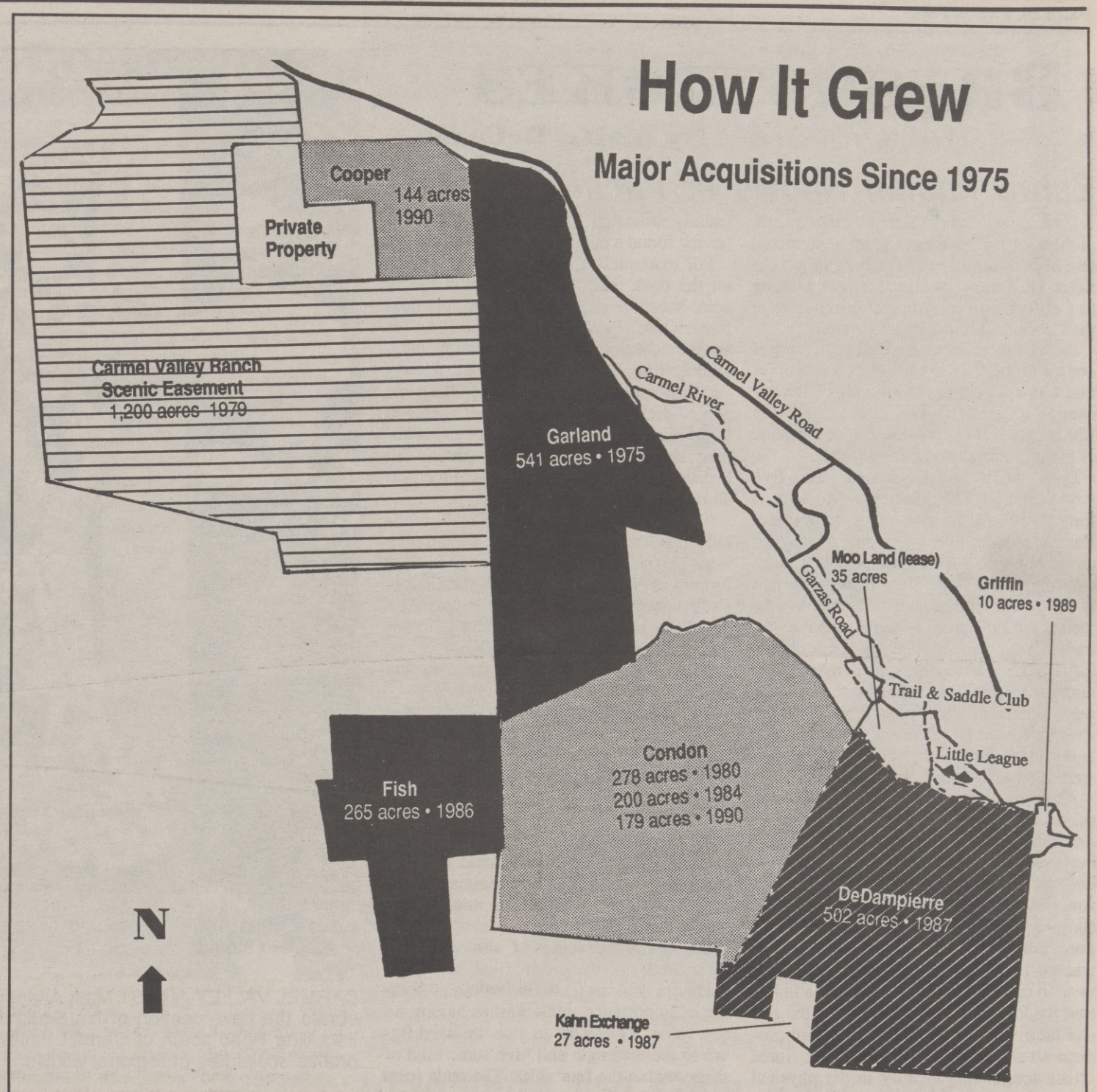
The County required a geological study to make sure the Tularcitos fault did not run close to the ranch house. "The engineer believes it is up above it—perhaps one-half mile away," Tate said.

Biological studies focused on the buckwheat plant which hosts Smith's Blue Butterfly. It is light blue, about the size of a quarter and has a two to three week flying period in June and July. Since the butterfly is on the endangered list, studies needed to show its buckwheat habitat would not be destroyed by the proposed permits.

The park district originally employed just Tate and a part-time secretary. The staff has now grown to seven with three rangers, a naturalist, an office manager, and a park technician who works nine months out of the year.

For every local dollar spent, Tate said the district has been able to get 50 cents in state or federal funding for park purchases. Right now the park district has $3 million obtained in 1990-91 and 1991-92, from Proposition 117, the Santa Lucia wildlife funds commonly known as the mountain lion initiative. Tate said a public hearing will be held March 4 to talk about priorities for this money.

Tate said he looks for more statewide bond acts to be on the ballot in June or November.



A MULTI-TRUNKED eucalyptus casts interesting shadows at Garland Park. Below, the Carmel River runs briskly through the park. *Sun photos by Isabelle Hall*

BRUSHSTROKES

By Anita DeCarlo

Zahre Papian Shows at Pacific Grove

First impressions of Zahre Papian's work at the Pacific Grove Art Center are a mixed bag of 20th century American art. I am curious. He's only lived here a year, coming to California from Armenia, a republic in the Caucasus Mountains of Russia.

Perhaps there are cross references that I'm not aware of. The examples of Russian art that I saw a year ago were part of the exchange of art with this country. On the whole they were expressive, bold, symbolic of modern Russia and often abstract.

Last week in discussing the five Argentines at The Monterey Museum, I found three of the five to be of Western European derivative. There was no way for me to know had I not been told that those paintings were Argentine. How important is it? On the one hand I believe that aesthetics are universal, a visual alphabet extracted from the consistencies of our changing world, relationships in constant harmony. On the other hand man seems always in need of identifying himself in more specific terms: these are *my* things and this is *my* place for *my* things ... The English are this and the French are that and so on.

As far as art and artists go, I really don't think too many people other than Americans have made it a conscious issue. Perhaps it was a bit of jealousy. Europe had all the culture and history of art. America was (is) young and predominantly comprised of ex-Europeans. Like a rebellious adolescent the American art world wanted to be different. American artists were in constant conflict over their admiration for European developments in the arts and their wish to be independent and produce art that was wholly American. Some artists sought this identity in the physical geography of the country, some in the nature of the American experience portrayed by the humble inhabitants of city or farm, and some in portraying the political experience, the democratic spirit. Whatever. Unfortunately, in doing this, some very mediocre art was upheld for its "Americanism" while good stuff was tossed aside because it was too European derivative. I think this conflict, and competitiveness, continues today for better or for worse.

I don't think it matter's one whit. An artist is an artist and art is art. An artist develops visual skills and he develops his sense of observation and he responds to what he observes with the skills that he has in terms of the unique experiences that he is. His nationality—among a million other things—is part of his experiences. Once again, that is essentially John Dewey (American! philosopher) in a nutshell.

So, I am not going to bother telling you Papian is an Armenian and that his art seems peculiarly American. I'm going to ignore it. I will go back to the first impression that his show represents a mixed bag of approaches or styles, something that usually indicates "student" to me, not yet having found a means of self expression.

For example, in the group of paintings on the back wall, "Svanetia" is a lovely color-sensitive shape, not content, oriented piece while "Paying Court to the King" is a minimal color, drawn more than painted, story-telling. "Lake Sevian" is a painterly and expressive landscape in which the same sort of success with color shapes works in the distance, clouds spilling over mountains, shore shapes; lake and foreground fail because of in attention to shape and color. They exist as their content only.

"Dreamscape Over the City" is totally a horse of another hue, a symbolic, semi-abstract piece in which a very literal figure lies entirely on top of an abstraction. Colors are meaningless. "Aootashat's Well" is middle eastern feeling in color with shallow space and linearality.

These five pieces could be done by five different people.

The three portrait drawings are a clue to his growth in skills and observation. The earliest, a self portrait from 1978, is very literal and self conscious, no real aesthetic decisions, boring. The portrait from 1986 is more expressive and beginning to be concerned with the importance of what's left out. There is more aesthetic decision making. It is less literal. "Susannah" from 1989 achieves a tasty feel for value shapes for their own sake.

On the other side of the wall are three nudes. Two from 1986 are quite mediocre drawings, ink line telling us nothing of importance, pink washes having no real value, a gimmick to glue the lined figure to the rectangle and give some kind of shape within the four sides. The nude from 1990 begins to show sensitivity to the challenge of the flat surface becoming meaningful energy and shape in addition to defining a figure.

"Spectacle" is a very large painting centered in the wall of painted portraits. I must dismiss it as one of those sophomoric message pictures lacking in aesthetic concerns. The four portraits are very different from this in style and fairly consistent among themselves. "Karina" is most successful, a good balance in color value and intensity. This balance does not exist in in "Mara Daugaviete," the patchwork sweater having been painted literally hopping from local color to local color without awareness of value and intensity changes. The two small pieces, "Warm Day" and "Agitation Theatre," are, again, two very different styles. "Warm Day" has that middle eastern derivation, colors dancing on the surface, shallow space. "Agitation" has a European depth of field and distribution of color shapes.

The still lifes are the most interesting exercises in skill and observation development and perhaps in identity seeking as well. It is easier to understand the artful pursuit here.

CARMEL VALLEY ARTIST Mark Andrew will hold an open house Saturday to celebrate the new location of his Sculpture Studio at Rosie's Cracker Barrel on Esquiline Road south of Carmel Valley Road. Andrew will show his wood and bronze sculptures of regional wildlife.

"Cactus with Pomegranate" is a most successful painting, a study in color control. Plant, pot, plate, pomegranates and shadow though chancing in color exist as one total shape in the positive; the negative successfully serves as surrounding air as well as surface supporting the weight of the positive, without changing hue, value or intensity. "Calla Lilies" attempts to do the same thing but does not succeed.

All of these are like a diary in color experimentation. "Roses" almost works—the relationship of vase and table on the right and the air behind works well. Why the white overglaze on roses and table? It defeats the painting. Compare "Wildflowers" to "Mountain Blossoms." The first fails to have meaningful color and space; the second is a good study in color-shapes and space, more a feeling of commitment to aesthetics. "Mountain Flowers" is an attempt at a cubistic intrusion, but in his concern for the geometric alignments he's lost the sense of color-space and composition. It slides to the left.

"Debut" is an ambitious affair. Too much, too soon. Where is the wall (on the left) behind the piano in relation to the floor under it? There is not a total plan here, rather several different paintings in several different styles on the same canvas. It is not just an inconsistency of style, in this painting, and, in the show as a whole, it is an inconsistency of skill and observation and vision. Will the real Zahre Papian please stand up.

Woman's Club Meets

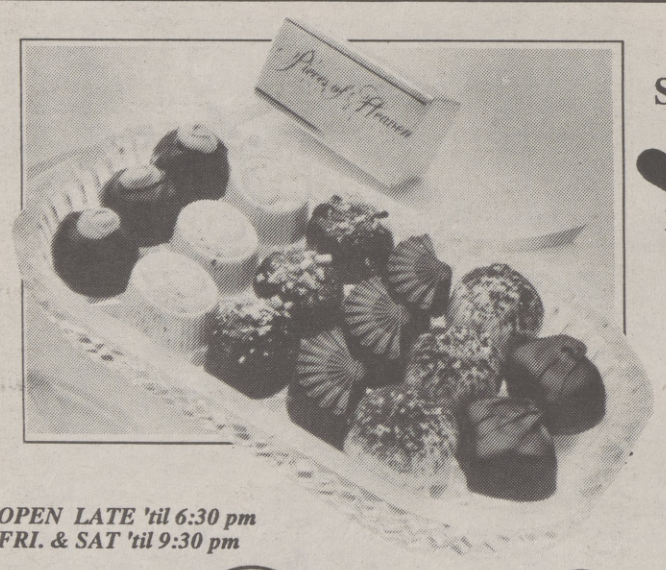
The Carmel Woman's Club will have a demonstration program by the Monterey Bonsai Club at 2 p.m. Feb. 17 at the clubhouse across from Sunset Center.

A young Monterey cypress tree will be turned into "a prize-winning work of art" which will be given to a member of the audience. Non-members are welcome. Call 659-5027.

Easterbrooke Will Address Art Society

Nancy Easterbrook of Carmel, the daughter of General Joseph Stilwell of World War II fame, will discuss her recent visit to China at the Crossroads Shopping Center meeting room at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Easterbrook was invited by the Chinese government to visit the country as officials wished to honor her father's memory, she said.



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DISCOVERY– THE LIVELY ARTS

BY BARBARA ROSE SHULER

Henrik Ibsen's "Rosmersholm" is a remarkable play. This complex, compelling drama doesn't lend itself to easy encapsulation, however. Its content can be examined from many angles—political, psychological, feminist and philosophical to name the most prominent.

Ibsen skillfully interweaves these elements such that you can't say, "Well, the drama is about ill-fated love" or "political ferment in turn-of-the century Norway" or "the challenges of being an emancipated woman in a repressive society" or "the struggle of a tormented man to find inward freedom." It's about all these and more. You'll find in "Rosmersholm" a sophisticated, challenging and very human drama. Ibsen demonstrates once again, in this rarely done piece, that he is a master playwright, a sophisticated psychologist and keen observer of human society.

Director Marcia Hovick of the Staff Players Repertory Company of Carmel gathers a top-notch cast to bring the classic to life. Marlie Avant, whose thoughtful, intelligent performances have rewarded many a local audience, takes the demanding role of the emancipated, idealistic Rebecca West. Avant does not disappoint as West, unveiling her rather like a psychological surprise ball with each revelation drawing us deeper into the drama. Its an exceptional role for an actress and Avant makes the most of it.

Ron Genauer takes the role of John Rosmer giving an excellent interpretation of this brooding, humorless man struggling to breathe the fresh air of personal liberation. Genauer shows us the strengths, the traps, the weakness of this man with an eerie, unrelenting intensity that conveys succinctly a source of the notorious gloom of Rosmersholm.

Alan Smith plays the brittle, conservative family friend Dr. Kroll, in a provocative performance of a man willing to sacrifice old friends for political ideals. Steve Harris skillfully portrays Kroll's nemesis Mortensgaard who further disrupts Rosmersholm. Lenore Opalach completes the cast as a splendid Mrs. Helseth, the servant who serves as a kind of one-woman Greek chorus sharing superstitions about Rosmersholm and the fates of its inhabitants. Ron Nelson, in a deft piece of acting, combines wretchedness with erudition as Ulrich Brendal, Rosmer's former tutor, showing us the dark side of the speculative life.

"Rosmersholm" is staged on one of the finest sets yet for Staff Players—the work of designer Charles Houghton and others. There are two weekends remaining for this show and the theater is small. Make your reservations soon.

Last weekend I went from good classic drama to zany a capella with Edlos. This Performance Carmel offering played to a packed house and standing ovations Saturday night which must have put a broad smile on the face of Cultural Director Brian Donoghue, who masterminds the series.

The Edlos, The Bad Boys of A Capella possess a sensational and distinct talent for sumptuous harmony and radical presentation. The show is tight and the boys are loose. The songs range from sacred medieval to the Righteous Brothers and the capers never stop. They drop onto the stage dressed as brazen ameboid blobs who suddenly change into cowled monks who don outlandish contemporary garb—and they sing like no barbershop quartet you ever heard.

They are Ed Cohn, Larry Venza, Eric Morris and Bill Davis. About three quarters of the way through the show actress/singer Lin Whiting who was sitting next to me cried out, "These guys are brilliant! They are theater people!" Lin summed it up pretty well. They provide a non-stop audio/visual kaleidoscope of entertainment that is sure to amuse all but the most stodgy audience members. The Carmel audience was dazzled!

Poster Contest Set

All school children in the County are invited to create a poster for the Monterey County Fair reflecting its 1992 theme, "Fine Swine and Fancy Flowers." The winning poster will be used to publicize the Aug. 22-30 fair, and each child who enters will receive a free pass.

Winners in four age categories will also get $50, $25, and $10 prizes. Entries must be submitted by March 13 on an entry blank available at 2004 Fairground Road in Monterey or from the Monterey County Office of Education in Salinas.

VIOLIN VIRTUOSO ITZHAK PERLMAN will appear in the Carmel Music Society's 65th anniversary concert season series at Sunset Center Saturday night. Tickets have been sold out for months and will not be available at the door.

Highlands Inn Gets Four Stars

Highlands Inn has been awarded the 1992 Mobil Travel Guide four-Star Award, Vice president and general manager Dennis Mills announced.

"This award reflects the hard work of our staff and their commitment to enhancing our guests' enjoyment," Mills said in a statement. "Mobil's four-star recognition is one we all take great pride in.'

The designation is given to only 375 or 2 percent of the more than 20,000 establishment listed in the Mobil Travel Guide. The inn, which celebrated its 75th birthday last year, sits on the rugged hillside four miles south of Carmel. It commands a spectacular view of the Pacific Ocean.

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The famous 19th century plant explorer and collector,

E.H. "Chinese" Wilson, wrote: "Aristocrats of ancient lineage possessed of many superlative qualities are the magnolias. They have the largest flowers and largest individual leaves of any hardy group of trees. No other genus of hardy trees and shrubs can boast so many excellences. Their free flowering character and great beauty of blossom are equalled by the ease with which they may be cultivated."

The evergreen magnolias are a superb group of trees that certainly deserve their place in our gardens, but to include the deciduous types because the idea of bare branches in the winter seems unappealing is a true horticultural mistake.

The majority of the deciduous magnolias bloom for several weeks in late winter before they have even leafed out, making the flowering effect as dramatic as any plant you will ever grow. Although there are a fair amount of gardens on the Monterey Peninsula that contain deciduous magnolias, it seems to me that more people in the San Francisco Bay area are in tune with these plants.

I can recall bringing my son to his day care facility in Palo Alto in years past before driving to the greenhouse nursery where I worked in Half Moon Bay and, in late winter it seem that every other front yard in that area had a deciduous magnolia in bloom. I never tired of looking at these beauties, so stately and magnificent they were.

I will refrain from going through a detailed list of varieties as your Sunset Western Garden Book has a chart listing both deciduous and evergreen types that is over five pages long. You certainly won't be able to find even half these varieties in local nurseries, but a fairly good selection can be had now as this is the time of year when there is the best availability. You gardeners should have at least one of these in your collection, no plant heralds the coming of spring with such a great blare of trumpets?

Things to do now:

- Get those roses and fruit trees pruned and dormant sprayed now if not already done.
- It is prime time to shop for roses, fruit trees and summer flowering bulbs like gladiolus and tuberous begonias.
- Keep your shears sharp, mid-February is the time to prune fuchsia.

Mark Eaton is a partner in Carmel Valley's Begonia Gardens Nursery

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Five Mini-Parks Are Scheduled

City Forester Gary Kelly announced five of the 10 mini-parks approved for installation by the City Council in Carmel's Year of the Forest are scheduled for construction this month.

The locations are:

o West San Carlos Street between Fourth and Fifth Avenues.

o Tenth Avenue between San Carlos and Mission.

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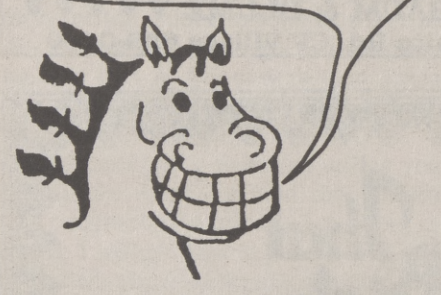

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OUT AND ABOUT

By Isabelle Hall

One of my strongest memories is of running home from school in the chill winter air to our warm little house where the smell of bread fresh from the oven greeted me at the door.

My mother made heavenly bread. It was all my brothers and I could stand to have to wait until it had cooled enough for her to slice it. We ate it spread with creamy butter and her homemade strawberry jam. She never would let us eat it hot because this would mean "instant indigestion," she warned. We were willing to risk it.

Bread has always been the "staff of life" to me. I believe I could give up almost everything else if I had to. "A loaf of bread, a jug of wine and thou..."

As a bookwormish child, I used to enjoy reading about Heidi and her trips to the moutaintops of Switzerland where she and her grandfather lived on great chunks of fresh bread and cheese. I could taste it vicariously in the mountain air.

My father ate bread with every meal. He taught me the gastronomic ecstasy of bread, butter and sliced radishes. The crunchy biting radish contrasts with the smooth butter, the whole enveloped in the crumb of the bread.

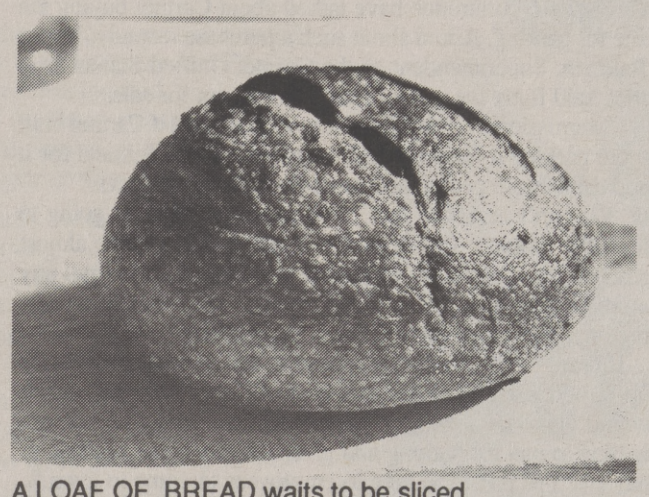
On the Sundays when we had rare roast beef, we literally used to fight over who would get to have a piece of bread soaked in the blood from the beef. I have come to realize this is a very British tradition but I'm willing to share it.

After the roast is carved, you take a thick piece of homemade bread, unbuttered, and put it under the meat so the juices drip slowly into the bread. Once it is deep pink with the essence of the roast, you season with lots of salt and pepper, and pop it in your mouth fast before someone else gets the idea. Fie, fie, fo, fum, I smell the blood of an Englishman, my father would tease.

Speaking of British food, what could be better than little tea sandwiches? Thin white bread spread with a little mustardy mayonnaise and fresh watercress. Or whole wheat bread with butter, smoked salmon, thinly sliced onions and a squirt of lemon.

Beyond the thousands of things you can eat with bread is the pleasure you can derive from making it.

At a couple of stages of my life, I have made bread. It is one of the most rewarding experiences there is. You also get some exercise throwing the "sponge" around and, if you're mad at someone,



A LOAF OF BREAD waits to be sliced.
Sun photo by Isabelle Hall

you can knead the hell out of it and pretend you're punching that person.

The idea that you can take some flour and, with the addition of a little fermented yeast in water, create a beautiful loaf of bread is wondrous to me. It is magical to put the sponge, the mass of dough, into a big bowl, cover it with a damp towel and stick it in a warm place only to come back in an hour or so and find it has doubled in size.

Punching the dough down is also highly pleasurable. It sinks with a sigh; you give it a few turns, and let it rise some more. Or just form it into loaves, let it rise, and bake it. My mother used to let her bread rise on the radiator in the dining room beside the birdcage. I either put mine on top of the dryer, if it's warm, or into a barely warmed oven. This little warmth is all the yeast needs to do its work.

"There is just something earthy about the feel of leavened dough," one of my bread cookbooks states.

Then there are all the breads you can make without yeast. Years ago I began making my own bo-bing—Chinese pancakes—for Peking Duck or Moo Shiu Pork dishes. They're not as thin as those made by machine or a professional baker but to me the fact that you can make something so tasty out of just water and flour is a miracle.

When I was about four or five I can remember my mother giving me a mixture of water and flour for paste to use as glue. We used it to make Christmas decorations out of paper. It worked just fine.

Flour tortillas for Mexican food are also made out of just flour and water, with some lard added. Think how different Mandarin Pancakes taste from tortillas or white bread, and certainly from flour paste, yet the ingredients are basically the same.

I have a Ukrainian friend who can make exquisite piroghi, a casing to be stuffed with savories like potatoes or meat or cabbage. In her case, however, she is very fussy about the quality of flour. If it isn't right, she says the piroghi are no good. Once her mother, who was born in the Ukraine and lived in Saskatchewan, came to visit, and Lil set her to making this native food. Her mother used pounds of flour from the supermarket in Washington, D.C., growing ever more disgusted with the results and blaming the poor quality of the flour.

My husband curiously did not grow up eating hearty bread although he grew up on a wheat farm in Texas. His family earned their livelihood growing beautiful wheat and never got to enjoy it in their own bread. Today he likes bread as much as I do, reflecting back on those days when the goal was to raise a high protein wheat only to have the protein all milled out in the processing and the vitamins artificially put back in before the end product got to the grocery store shelves.

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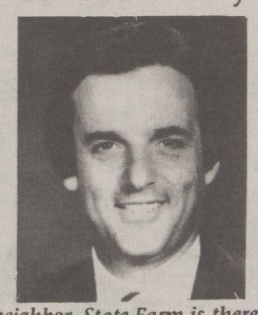

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Parking Solution Will Be Costly; Carmel Businesses to Foot Bill?

By Isabelle Hall

The solution to Carmel's parking problems lies with the business community which would have to foot the bill to get employees out of the commercial zone and into paid residential parking areas, the Planning Commission was told.

"Everybody's had a free ride," Chairman Alan Williams of the Ad Hoc Parking Commission told the commissioners at a joint session Jan. 28, except, he said, those buildings in town which have underground parking, on site parking or have paid in lieu fees.

Williams, who, as president of Carmel Development Co., built the Eastwood and Leiding buildings, both with underground parking, said he thought another underground parking solution was lost under Murphy Park, "One of the prime sites the city owned...the opportunity's lost. The City Council made that very clear."

The committee discussed at length, and eliminated, satellite parking and the idea of parking meters, which would spread the cost of parking over the entire driving public because they were "not Carmel," Williams.

The tenor of the sparsely attended session was that local business would have to pay for a parking solution if there is to be one. Commissioner Ed Jordan even suggested that a figure of $800,000—attributed by the committee to the commercial value of a Carmel parking space—be the basis for assessing businesses. The figure was derived by dividing the number of spaces in the commercial section into the total dollar volume of sales.

The council chamber was virtually empty with only Councilmembers Barbara Brooks and Ken White and representatives of the Carmel Business Association (CBA) in attendance.

The solution favored by the Parking Committee is to charge employers, or employees, for permits that would permit them to park in certain designated residential areas, Williams and Committee member David Maradei said. This was expected to free up about 450 parking spaces now used in the commercial zone by employees who, they said, cause even more of a problem by constantly having to move their cars from one two-hour zone to another.

Thus far, there has been no particular input from any residents on the proposal. The committee proposal calls for neighborhoods to elect to have such parking on a trial basis.

Dismissing the idea of solving "peak" parking problems, the committee decided that if the City could find 900 more spaces—the number estimated to be taken up by employes daily—the basic problem would be solved.

"We know that the population growth within a 2-1/2 hour drive will double in five to 10 years," Williams said, "So we're going to have people come and visit this town, ready or not, or end up with gridlock."

On satellite parking, he said, the committee "spent a lot of time looking at the high school. It would be very attractive if the City bought that site. A lot of dominoes would fall into place but people like to park where they shop."

The Carmel High School is on the east side of Highway 1 outside the city limits. Both the Parking Committee and the City's 2016 committee have talked about Carmel buying the site for parking. Asked about such a purchase recently, Vance Baldwin, Superintendent of the Carmel Unified School District, said flatly the school property was not for sale.

Commissioner Brian Congleton worried that if Carmel built more parking it would "result in an increase in demand for it and draw more people and more demand for services."

"We can't deal with that," Williams said. "We're going to have the problem whether we're ready or not. We've almost reached that degree where people don't come to Carmel any more because there is no place to park. They look at us as a regional shopping center without the parking."

He said the committee proposed to sell parking permits for up to 450 parking places at a cost of $1 to $2 a day which would "give us a good indication of how many people are willing to pay for parking and gives the city some revenue to buy free bus passes to give to employees to come to town."

He said the committee's surveys discovered that there might be as many as 15 to 20 people from Pacific Grove, for example, who could take the bus daily to work in Carmel.

"We can create 500 places by just controlling where our employees park," he said. "We didn't think that we ought to jump in and create a 1,000-car parking facility at the high school when you can create enough spaces here in town."

He said the permit parking would be policed as a privilege and, if anyone abused the right, "You don't get your permit renewed."

Commissioner Phil Coniglio, whose family owns the Mediterranean Market on Ocean Avenue, took issue with Williams on any proposal to assess businessmen like his father for parking.

"That's a great idea but businessmen right now are suffering. I can just hear my father when you tell him he's got to start paying for his employees to park...After being in business for 32 years, I can just predict what my father would say," Coniglio said.

"He's had a free ride," Williams countered. "The problem we have now is because we didn't pay for it in the past. Either we do it or stop bitching about parking. If the public won't pay for it, we don't have a problem because we won't pay for it.

"Tell your father he's going to get parking spaces for his employees in return and that will free up more parking on the street for his customers."

"You tell him," retorted Coniglio, who has told fellow commissioners he recently left the family business to lighten its financial burden.

CBA Executive Director Toni Jepson said the parking problem was so bad that her assistant had just moved because "she said she has to live where she can walk to work because she can't afford to pay the parking tickets. The real problem is there's nowhere else for them to go (but park in the commercial area).

"I know that there are abuses by business people," she said. "We're dedicated to helping that situation but this is not the solution alone because these people don't have a place to park. If I'm not in town before 8:30 a.m., I don't get a parking place, and I have to go to the residential area. If I'm later than that, I have to go to a two-hour spot and then move my car."

Williams said the committee had examained the idea of making Vista Lobos Park a central delivery depot—an idea favored by the 2016 Committee—and decided that "UPS can deliver better than we can." In addition, he said, "You can't legally restrict deliveries."

When Jordan suggested that deliveries be restricted to certain hours, Williams told him, "One of the biggest delivery problems is restaurants. We're on the tail end of most runs. These people are very unwilling to live with any time limits."

"They pay road taxes," said Maradei, a former councilman. "They will fight to maintain their right to come and go as they please. The Teamsters Union showed up at a council meeting years ago. It wasn't pleasant."

Williams said it would be easy to provide a formula for assessing the business community to pay for parking: "Just subtract for those who've already paid."

Council Rejects Appeal

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tion by Grace to grant the appeal was approved 5-0.

When the council suggested that the Planning Commission be asked to examine the ordinance, Alan Williams, chairman of the Ad Hoc Parking Committee, said it was already under study as part of the Commercial Zoning study.

In other matters, the Council:

- Gave first reading to an ordinance changing the appeals process. It softened the recommendation of the Planning Commission, however, by amending the ordinance to say that the evidence presented on appeal "should" rather than "shall" be limited to evidence presented to the commission. It also said the council "may" return it if there is significant new evidence rather than "shall" return it.
- Gave second reading to an ordinance establishing a process for creating underground utility districts.
- Gave second reading to an ordinance regulating the cutting of trees greater than six inches in diameter on private property.
- Voted 3-2 to table a request from Robert and Edith Tannenbaum to amend the R-1 single family residential district regulations to allow some exceptions when there is a conflict with design objectives.
- Granted the request of Barney Neufeld to register his subordinate unit after the filing deadline.
- Approved a one-time grant of $10,000 to the Carmel Public Library Foundation for operating expenses that will be matched by members of the Foundation Board.
- Turned down a request to mark parking stalls on the north side of Fourth Avenue between Dolores and Lincoln Streets; agreed to create one compact car space at the southernmost end of Scenic Road instead of a motorcycle parking space; and agreed to install a stop sign at the intersection of Monte Verde Street and Fourth Avenue.

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CV Group Creates Video to Teach Children How to Play Card Games

Pat Ireland was shocked when an 8-year-old boy visiting his son did not know how to play even one card game. The boy's parents couldn't remember any card games from their youth, either.

"My kids taught him to play cards, and he was just thrilled," Ireland said. The event spurred Ireland to create a video, Kids 'n Cards, which will teach kids age 4-years-old and up how to play Go Fish, Crazy Eights, War and Train Solitaire.

His video company plans to sell the video through department stores, Bicycle cards and video rental stores.

"The excesses of the 80s are pretty much gone," said Ireland, who is also a well-known singer-entertainer in the Valley. "People are getting back to the basics. This is something you can do while you're staying at home."

With so many working parents, children may not have anyone at home who can teach them to play cards games, Ireland said.

A partner with MacLand Group/ Greystone Productions in Carmel Valley, Ireland said he grew up playing Go Fish and Crazy Eights. He and his partners, Doug MacIssac, Robert Butte, and Luann Sharp, approached the major card manufacturers with the video idea. Bicycle cards entered into an agreement with them. Bicycle, a division of U.S. Playing Cards Co., sells 12 million decks of card a month in the United States, Ireland said. The company already had made several adult videos—Beat a Cheat, Poker with a Joker, and Secrets of a Card Sharp—and were looking for a children's video.

One reason the company was interested in his video was to develop product loyalty among youngsters, Ireland said.

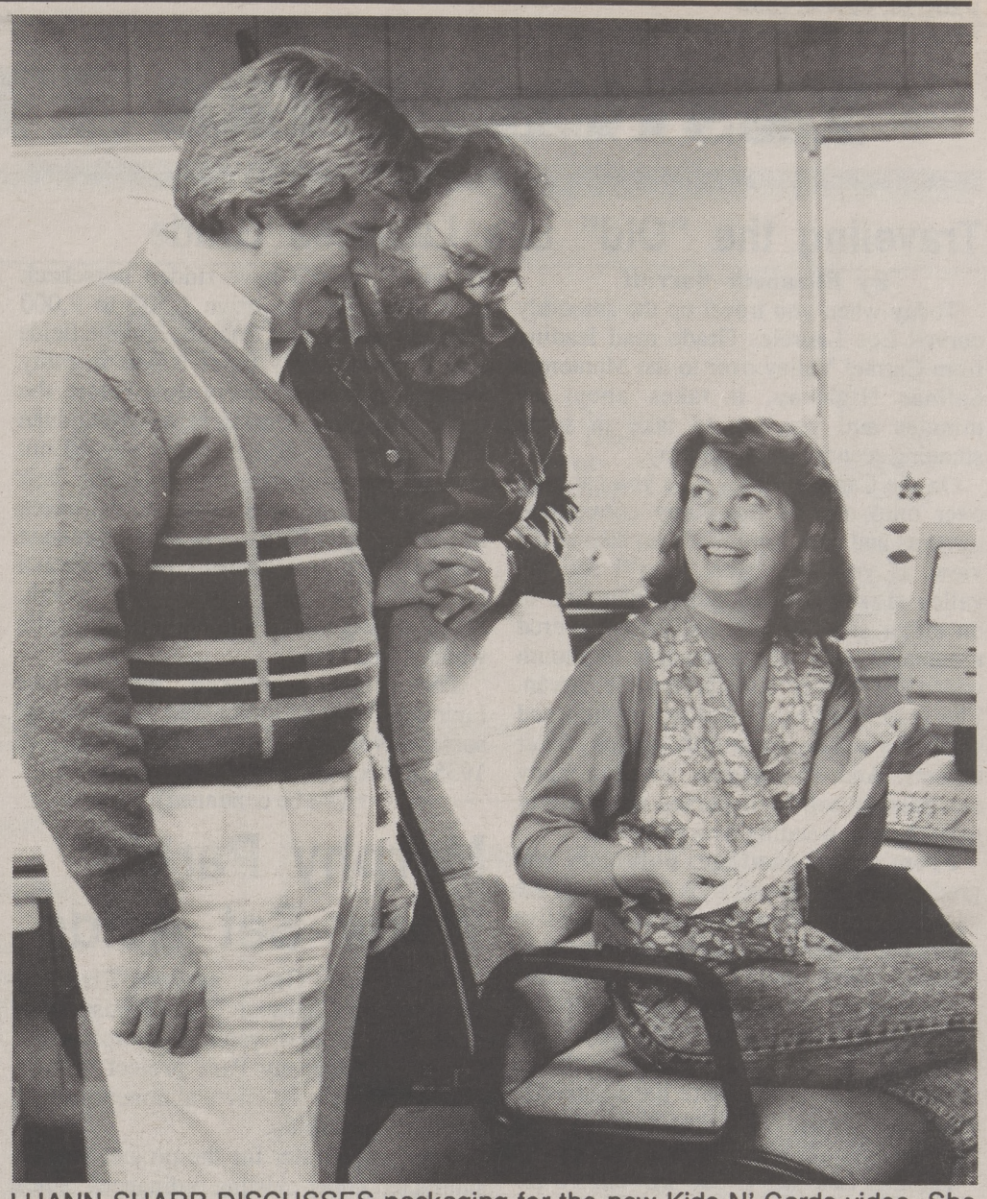
Using two of his three children, Kelley, 12 and Sean, 10, and two other children, Ireland and his partners filmed the video.

"Let's play cards," starts the musical jingle. "It's something we can do together. Let's play cards. It's fun in any kind of weather." Tim Thomspson, age 6 of Carmel, and Melia Duran, 8, of Monterey, sing the jingle.

The video with a voice-over by Ireland teaches card playing basic rules. It even tells kids how to remember which is their left hand by holding up their hands and pointing their thumbs toward each other. "The left hand makes the shape of an L. That's your left hand."

Ireland said production took two days of filming with the kids and 200 hundred hours of editing.

Bicycle has an advertisement card in each deck it prints, and an ad for the video will be included in three million decks, Ireland said. Target has asked for quotes for 100,000 and 200,000 of the videos, Ireland said, and the video will be sold in a package which includes two decks of Bicycle cards. Bicycle will also offer the package as part of its 1992 product line to K-Mart, Walmart, and Toys 'R Us, Ireland said. The Kids 'n Cards video will also be marketed through direct sale television ads.



LUANN SHARP DISCUSSES packaging for the new Kids N' Cards video. She and her partners, Doug MacIssac and Pat Ireland created the video to teach kids age four and up how to play cards. They expect to market it in large chain stores and through direct sale television ads. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

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Traveling the "Old" Los Laureles Grade

By Elizabeth Barratt

Today when you travel up the smoothly curved Los Laureles Grade road leading from Carmel Valley over to the Monterey-Salinas Highway, it takes about 10 minutes and you get to take in some stunning scenery along the way.

On the Carmel Valley side you can pull over onto one of the many convenient turnouts and park for a while, to take in the view. If you gaze west, you'll see the valley slowly snaking along, hemmed in on either side by oak and grass-covered mountains, as it edges towards its mouth which discharges into the Pacific Ocean. The grade's a beautiful place to stop and watch our red-orange-purple-golden winter sunsets. And, in summer, you can study the train of fog as it comes steaming in from the sea, wending its way inland.

From your vantage point on the grade, if you shift and look far toward the east, the valley seems to end in a massive jumble of impressive peaks, seemingly in constant march toward the distant horizon. If you change your gaze and look directly below, you'll find the narrow gray-black ribbon of Carmel Valley Road meandering along the valley floor, with the sometimes running Carmel River keeping pace, in places, alongside.

The Los Laureles Grade was named for the Rancho Los Laureles, granted in 1839 to José Manuel Boronda, the Valley's first permanent white settler. The rancho, which comprised 6,625 acres, was named after the fragrant California Bay Laurel, which is native to the area.

If you lived far out in the valley in the early days, the grade was the road you took to get to Salinas or Monterey, just like you would today except back then it was not the 10-minute trip it is now, but an all-day process.

When she wrote about her childhood and her family's annual trip from Watsonville to Tassajara Hot Springs where her parents worked summer jobs around the turn of the century, Irma Oksen Reeves wrote that they called the grade, "Chalk Rock Grade." It was a family reference, the horse and buggy trip took all day with passengers sometimes getting out to hike the steepest portion of the road and by the end of the day when they'd reached the other side and Carmel Valley, the Oksens were covered with chalky dust.

Joe Hitchcock wrote several articles about his boyhood memories of the grade. He commented, "In the old days I have driven that road in a four-horse wagon, spring wagon and buggy to say nothing of the many times I have ridden horseback over it, helping to drive 1,500 to 2,000 head of cattle to and from the stubble fields near Salinas. Many times it was in rainy weather or else in heavy dust before the roads were oiled. During heavy winters the little culverts or bridges were washed out and anyone returning had to leave their wagons and lead their horses to the haven of Los Laureles Ranch. They would remain there until temporary repairs were made and the wagons got across the wash. Sometimes it was possible to make detours which saved time."

The original crooked, narrow Los Laureles Grade was improved, widened and some curves were partially straightened in 1955, to become the road we now travel.

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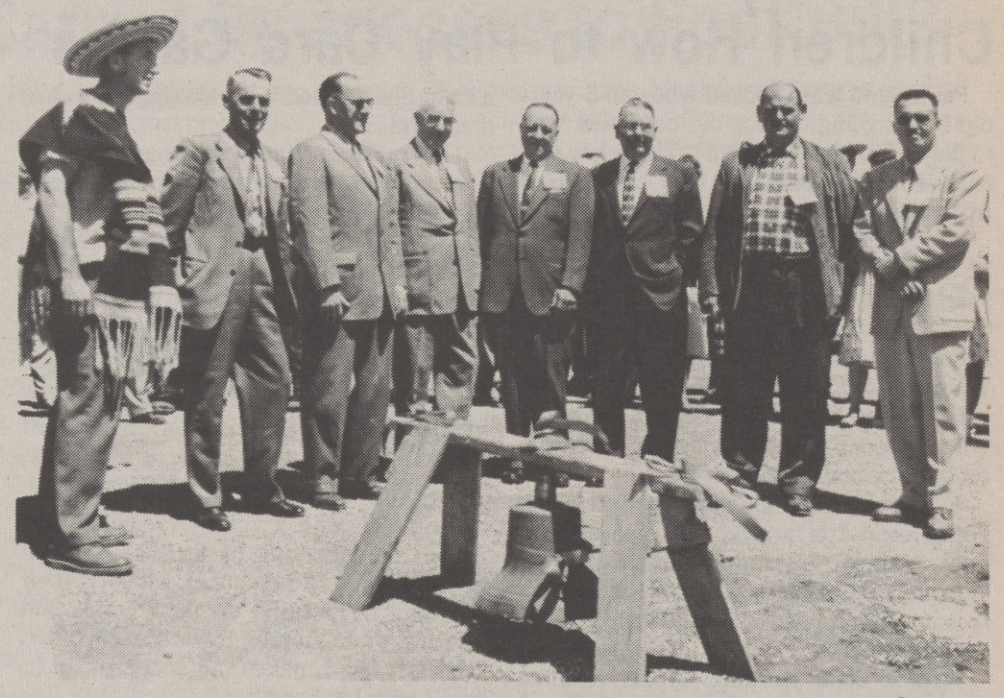

CONTRACTORS AND COUNTY OFFICIALS gathered atop Los Laureles Grade in a 1957 ceremony opening the road.

Photo courtesy Carmel Valley Historical Society.

Murphy Park's Water Set Aside

Mayor Jean Grace advised Planning Commission Chairman Carla Ramsey in a letter Jan. 29 that water to complete the city's First Murphy Park project will be subtracted from the city's allotment from a new well in Seaside.

Grace said water for the project will be subtracted under existing ordinances "since this project was already issued water permits and is now under construction."

According to a chart prepared by Brian Roseth, who is handling water for the Planning Department, .442 acre feet of water has been set aside for Murphy Park. This amount would be subtracted from the 14.96 acre feet expected to be allocated to Carmel from the Peralta Well being built by the California-American Water Co.

The issue arose Jan. 22 when the commission objected to being rushed into consideration of a proposed new water allocation ordinance before the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District has even held hearings on the subject.

Commissioners also objected to having water subtracted from the proposed allocation before it could even be considered.

Roseth said that city projects such as Murphy Park and the proposed Rio Park were among those in this category.

"Mini parks and all city projects have been removed from the Planning Commission's hands," Ramsey complained at the time. "We do not see or talk about them."

When the commission declined to act on the ordinance, the council voted without comment Jan. 28 to table the issue.

Schools Seek U. S. Open Aides

Carmel and Pacific Grove schools are looking for volunteers to work at the U.S. Open golf tournament at Pebble Beach June 15-21 manning food and souvenir booths.

Both school districts will receive a $70,000 donation from the Pebble Beach Corp. if they each provide 425 volunteers. Carmel school officials said they already had lined up 235 volunteers.

Each volunteer must work four days for six hour shifts and attend an orientation session. Shifts may not be shared with another person.

Volunteers will receive two official U.S. Open shirts and a visor, lunch on work days and an entrance badge good for all days of practice and competition.

Only 25,000 tournament tickets will be sold to the general public, and they will cost $175 each.

Volunteers must be at least 16 years of age. They do not have to have any connection with Carmel or Pacific Grove schools.

Those who would like to volunteer for the Carmel district may pick up a volunteer form at any Carmel school or the district office near Carmel Middle School on Carmel Valley Road. Pacific Grove volunteers may obtain a form at the district office at 555 Sinex.

Residents may also volunteer to work at the tournament directly through the Pebble Beach Corp. but neither school district will receive credit. These volunteers will also work four days and pay $100 for a six piece tournament uniform.

Those who wish the school districts to receive compensation for their volunteer hours must apply through the schools, officials said.

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by

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Fourth Quarter Report

Condo Market Still Lagging

By Paul Brocchini
Associate Broker
Prestige Properties

As I reported in my review of the overall market for single family homes on the Monterey Peninsula, the fourth quarter normally is the slowest quarter of the year. People's attention is elsewhere.

The condo market, sluggish all year, continued slow during the quarter. Even sellers lost interest. The number of listings declined 26 percent, from 166 to 123. The barometer remained flat at 8.94 percent, a tiny increase from the third quarter.

For the most part the number of days that current listings are on the market increased since my last report (Oct. 2, 1991), and it took longer to sell condos, from a low of 62 days in Pebble Beach, which is really quite fast, to a high of 197 days in Carmel. In addition, from 33 percent to 48percent of the listings expired in the six towns surveyed, so there were a lot of unsuccessful sellers.

The number of sales per quarter continued their decline.

The total number of sales for the year was anemic, but median sales prices appear strong.

Listing and Sales Data
All Figures as of January 2, 1992
Chart A

Town	Avg. Listing Price 1/2/92	Avg. Mkt. Time 1/2/92	Dif. Last Rpt.	Median Sales Price Quarter	Avg. Mkt. Time Solds (6 mos.)	Dif. Last Rpt.	% Exp. (6 mos.)
Carmel	$289,153	131	-32	N/A*	197	+31	39%
Carmel Valley	$293,525	181	+40	$225,000	177	+71	30%
Monterey	$200,690	143	+27	$133,000	77	-5	48%
Pacific Grove	$233,333	209	+76	N/A*	96	-22	44%
Pebble Beach	$652,135	241	+59	$278,000	62	+4	46%
Seaside	$177,063	177	+81	N/A*	135	+10	33%

* Only one sale each in Carmel, PG and Seaside during quarter, hence there is no median price.

Condominium Quarterly Sales Chart
Multiple Listing Service Data Only
Chart B

Town	4th Quarter Sales	3rd Quarter Sales	2nd Quarter Sales
Carmel Valley	9	13	13
Monterey	7	7	8
Carmel	1	5	7
Pebble Beach	3	4	4
Pacific Grove	1	2	4
Seaside	1	2	3
Total	**22**	**33**	**39**

1991 Sales Data Condominiums
Multiple Listing Service Data Only
Chart C

Town	No. of Sales	Median Sales Price	Low Sale	High Sale
Carmel	14	$294,000	$242,500	$525,000
Carmel Valley	43	$260,000	$100,000	$854,000
Monterey	28	$220,500	$ 78,000	$390,000
Pacific Grove	13	$255,000	$177,500	$350,000
Pebble Beach	13	$279,500	$220,000	$1,625,000
Seaside	9	$189,500	$110,000	$203,000

Condominium Market Barometer
1990—1991

Date	In Escrow	Total Listings	Bar. %. Esc/Ttl.
12/31/91	11	123	8.94%
10/2/91	14	166	8.44%
7/14/91	19	157	12.10%
4/10/91	16	119	13.45%
1/13/91	13	106	12.26%
10/3/90	17	89	19.10%
5/28/90	28	97	28.31%
3/14/90	25	67	37.31%

Pacific Grove

There were an extraordinary number of transactions at Pacific Grove Plaza during the last quarter—19, for example, in the month of November alone. Pacific Grove Plaza is unique with condominiums, time shares and businesses. I have not included those transactions in my numbers because PG Plaza is not part of the normal real estate market.

The 1992 Question

The enormous strength of the condo market in 1988 and 1989 was pushed partly be the steep rise in house prices. Single family houses began to get out of the reach of many buyers, and condos became an affordable option.

At present with interest rates plummeting. Houses are becoming more affordable. The 1992 question is: will the improved affordability of house prices adversely affect the sale of condominiums?

Only time will give us the answer to that question, but my guess is that the market for houses is ripe for a rebound and that condos will lag six months to a year behind in terms of activity.

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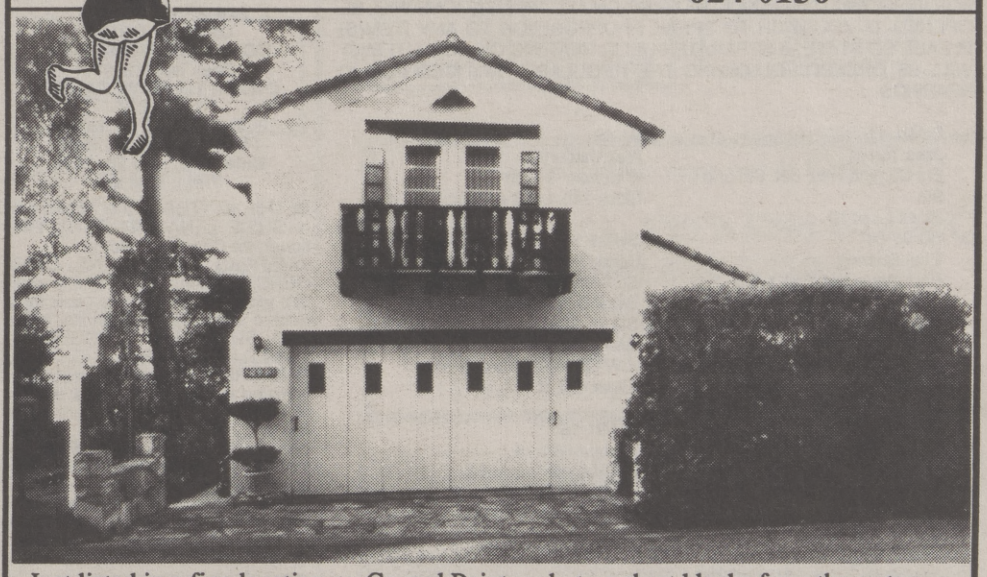

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Regional Park District Decides Its Fort Ord Plan Is Premature

By Carolyn Rice

The staff tried to interest the board of the regional park district in a plan Monday night calling for use of some of Fort Ord's 28,000 acres, but directors decided on a 3-2 vote that any action would be premature.

In a written report, the park district staff said the scheduled closure of most of Fort Ord "provides a magnificent once in a lifetime opportunity for resource protection and public use."

After seeing slides and hearing about the unique "maritime chaparral" on Fort Ord land, board member Robert Griffin told the staff the board needed to talk with other agencies before taking this "rather dramatic action" on Fort Ord land.

The plan asked for:

- Designation of all land west of Highway 1 as a state seashore.
- Designation of 8,000 acres as a wildlife/biological reserve.
- An open space park running east of Laguna Seca to Toro Estates.
- Designation of a parkway corridor concept.
- Designation of an urban park by Marina.

Board member Sean Flavin also expressed his reluctance to act. "This is the first presentation we've heard on Fort Ord. I haven't even had the opportunity to read it," he said.

He said action on the matter would "give credence (to public complaints) that we have an agenda and don't have to hear from the public."

Director Zad Leavy, supporting the concept plan, said, "Four other cities are ahead of us," referring to making the land between Highway 1 and the ocean parkland. "We are an open space agency. I believe we should fall into line with these cities."

Leavy said Monterey, Pacific Grove, Del Rey Oaks and Carmel have all gone on record asking for preservation of this land.

Leavy moved to support the concept of parkland between Highway 1 and the ocean and was seconded by Patricia Hutchins. After a voice vote in which the three other board members opposed the motion, Chairman Dina Stansbury said she should have called for a roll call vote. Leavy then withdrew the motion, noting three members opposed it anyway.

Tim Jensen of the park district staff said the Fort Ord Task Force has shortened its planning sessions on how to reuse the base by six months. "Everyone's scrambling," he said, asking the board for strategies.

"No strategies on the east side will be forthcoming tonight," Stansbury told him.

Legal Notices

CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING 11 FEBRUARY 1992 4:00 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea will hold a Special meeting on 11 February 1992 to receive comments from the public on the Commercial Zoning Study presented to the City Council by the Planning Commission at its meetings of 7 and 28 January 1992. The meeting will be held at 4:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues. All members of the public are encouraged to attend.

(s) *Jeanne Brehmer*
Jeanne Brehmer
City Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the city of Carmel-by-the-Sea will conduct a public hearing in the City Hall Council Chambers, located on the east side of Monte Verde Street between Ocean and Seventh Avenues, on Wednesday, 19 February 1992. The public hearings will be opened at **4:00 P.M.** or as soon thereafter as possible.

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Shirley Jensen
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Block 50, Lot 9
Consideration of suspension or revocation of Business License #15680, Forget-Me-Nots, pursuant to Municipal Code Section 5.12.040.E.

THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS ARE FOR NON-OWNER OCCUPIED SUBORDINATE UNITS AND WILL BE CONSIDERED ON A SPECIAL PUBLIC HEARING CONSENT CALENDAR WITH A RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL. THE PUBLIC HEARING ON ALL APPLICATIONS WILL BE OPENED. IF YOU WISH TO SPEAK IN OPPOSITION TO ANY ITEM(S) PLEASE SO STATE. A SEPARATE PUBLIC HEARING ON SUCH ITEM(S) WILL BE OPENED FOLLOWING THE REGULARLY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARINGS.

1. SU 91-11
Jess Torres
E/s Camino Real bet. 8th and 9th
Block I, Lot 10

2. 91-49
Alex Vardamis
W Lincoln & 13th
Block 145, Lot 3 & Portion of Lot 1

3. SU 91-84
Paul Starring
E/s Lincoln bet. 2nd & 3rd
Block 33, Lot 4

4. SU 91-104
Carla Dwyer
SE Monte Verde and Santa Lucia
Block 8 (Mission Tract), Lot 1

5. SU 91-133
Michael Wilson
S/s 2nd bet. Mission and San Carlos
Block 28, Lots 2 and 4

6. SU 91-113
Marge Wright
SW Camino Real and 10th
Block Q, Lot 1

7. SU 91-122
Talmadge Staley
W/s Monte Verde bet. Ocean and 4th
Block EE, Lots 31-34

8. SU 91-158
Robert Clifford
W/s Monte Verde bet. 11th and 12th
Block F, Lot 5

9. SU 91-213
Carl Prock
E/s Santa Fe bet. 1st and 2nd
Block 15, Lot 14

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City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
CARLA RAMSEY, CHAIRMAN
(s) Mary Jahr-Purvis
Secretary of said Commission

Dated: 31 January 1992
Date of Publication: 6 February 1992
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed January 16, 1992
File No. F920117
The following individual is doing business as:
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This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Jan. 1, 1992.
(s)Gregg Wells
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on date indicated by file stamp above.
CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the original in my office.
ERNEST A. MAGGINI, County Clerk
Jan 23, 30, Feb. 6, 13, 1992.
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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF THE USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
Filed January 16, 1992
File No. F901193
The following persons have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name:
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Monterey CA 93940
Oran L. Cogdill
442 Belden St.
Monterey CA 93940
Elizabeth A. Cogdill
442 Belden St.
Monterey CA 93940
The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Monterey County on July 16, 1990.
This business was conducted by a husband and wife.
(s)Oran L. Cogdill
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on date indicated by file stamp above.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY Case No. M23914 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CCP1277 FOR CHANGE OF NAME Filed January 16, 1992 Date: February 28, 1992 Time: 9:30 am

IN THE MATTER of the Application of SUSIE LENA DRIGGERS Petitioner, for Change of Name
WHEREAS SUSIE LENA DRIGGERS, Petitioner, has filed a petition with the clerk of this court for a decree changing Petitioner's name from: SUSIE LENA DRIGGERS to SILVER LEE DAVIS
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above matter appear in Department A of this court, located at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, California 93940, on February 28, 1992 at 9:30 A.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order to show cause be published in *The Weekly Sun*, a newspaper of general circulation printed in Monterey County, California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition.
DATED: January 16, 1992
JOHN M. PHILLIPS
Judge of the Superior Court
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Filed January 24, 1992
File No. F920175
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(s) Gary W. Bryant
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ERNEST A. MAGGINI, County Clerk
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(s) Harry E. Rogers
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Filed January 16, 1992
File No. F920108
The following individual is doing business as:
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Richard L. Foster
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(s)Richard L. Foster
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PUBLIC NOTICE

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY Case No. M23895 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CCP1277 FOR CHANGE OF NAME Filed January 9, 1992 Date: February 14, 1992 Time: 9:30 am

IN THE MATTER of the Application of RANDY LYNN HARPER Petitioner, for Change of Name
WHEREAS RANDY LYNN HARPER, Petitioner, has filed a petition with the clerk of this court for a decree changing Petitioner's name from: RANDY LYNN HARPER to RANDALL LYNN HARPER
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above matter appear in Department A of this court, located at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, California 93940, on February 14, 1992 at 9:30 A.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order to show cause be published in *The Weekly Sun*, a newspaper of general circulation printed in Monterey County, California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition.
DATED: January 9, 1992
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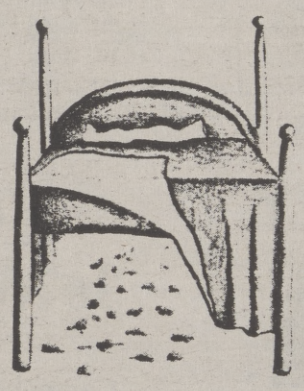

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In Boys MTAL Play

Padres in Showdown at Palma

By Jim Rice

Fresh from tromping Gonzales, the Carmel High boys basketball team faces Palma in a crucial Mission Trail Athletic League game Friday in Salinas.

If Carmel can pick up a win over the Chieftains, the teams will be tied for first place in the league. That's a big "if," since Carmel Coach Rich Frank has said Palma is one of the best small-school teams in the state, let alone the MTAL.

Carmel now sports a 5-2 league record with losses to Robert Louis Stevenson in double overtime and to Palma in the teams' first confrontation. Palma's only loss was a season-opening upset at the hands of Pacific Grove.

Against Gonzales Tuesday night, the Padres towered over the Gonzales players, smoothly took charge and never faltered enroute to a 75-42 victory.

The half-time score was 36-15, and the bench logged most of the playing time during the last three quarters for Carmel.

Sophomore R.J. Powell scored 18 points and had five assists to lead the Padres. Ryan Edwards, a junior, racked up 17 points for his own personal season high. Ben Fahrer, a junior, was not far behind with 14.

Carmel Girls Continue to Roll

Carmel High upped its record in girls Mission Trail Athletic League basketball play to 8-1 with a 42-22 win over Gonzales Tuesday night.

The Carmel girls will host Notre Dame Friday.

Crystal Armstrong had five steals for the Padres and helped out with eight assists against Gonzales. Erica Murray led Carmel with 14 points while Erin Kraft hit for 11. Erica Sanchez led Gonzales with 10.

Friday, the Padres beat Santa Catalina 39-26, while the junior varsity notched a 32-16 win.

Padre Coach Leigh White said the varsity has worked hard to attain its success. "Eleven of them went to a four-day basketball camp at Sonora last summer," she said. They also had spring and summer workouts.

White brings considerable personal basketball experience to her coaching job. She played for Pacific Grove High School, Monterey Peninsula College and the College of Notre Dame. She has coached Carmel for the past five years.

Carmel Valley Little League Dates Set

President Michael Keresey of the Carmel Valley Little League issued a call this week for adult volunteers and prospective players to begin to get ready for a busy baseball season.

He said the league's board of directors would meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Little League field, to be followed by the signup of players. Signups will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Tularcitos School multipurpose room Feb. 18 and 19 and from 9 a.m. until noon Feb. 22.

Player registrations are due by Feb. 24, Keresey said, with a $15 penalty being assessed for late signup.

Tryouts for 10-12 year-old players are scheduled at the Little League field from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Feb. 29. Tryouts for 9-year-olds will be held there from 9 until 1 on March 7.

Keresey said directors of the league would meet again March 11, with the draft for this seasons' teams being held on March 14.

Pre-season practice sessions will begin March 16 with opening day set for April 4.

Big Buddy Orientation Set

The Buddy Program, which matches adult companions with children from single-parent families, will hold an orientation session for new volunters Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Mariposa Hall in New Monterey.

Subsequent orientation sessions will be held in the same location the second Tuesday of each month. For information about the program, telephone 655-9231.

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